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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012 IS ON PAGE 130.]**

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS WILL COME TO ORDER. AND GOOD MORNING EVERYBODY.
8 I'D LIKE TO ASK EVERYONE TO RISE FOR THE INVOCATION AND THE
9 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY PASTOR
10 DAVE DOWLER, OF WAVESIDE CHURCH IN MALIBU. AND THE PLEDGE OF
11 ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY WILLIE L. ALFORD, MEMBER OF THE
12 GILBERT W. LINDSAY POST 352 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CARSON.
13 PASTOR DOWLER?

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15 **PASTOR DAVE DOWLER:** THANK YOU, MR. YAROSLAVSKY. IT'S AN HONOR
16 TO BE HERE. LET'S PRAY. FATHER GOD, WE COME BEFORE YOU THIS
17 MORNING TO GIVE HONOR TO YOU AND TO WELCOME YOUR HOLY SPIRIT
18 IN THIS PLACE. THE WORD INSTRUCTS US TO PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN
19 AUTHORITY, SO TODAY I LIFT UP TO YOU THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
20 AND THIS MEETING TO YOU. I PRAY THAT AS THEY BEGIN THEIR DAY,
21 THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO CAST THEIR CARES UPON YOU, KNOWING THAT
22 YOU CARE FOR THEM, THAT THERE WILL BE A HEDGE OF PROTECTION
23 ABOUT THEIR FAMILIES AND THAT NO EVIL WILL BEFALL THEM NOR
24 PLAGUE COME NEAR THEIR DWELLING. I PRAY THESE OFFICIALS WOULD
25 DAILY ACKNOWLEDGE YOU IN ALL THEIR DECISIONS SO THAT YOU MAY



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1 DIRECT THEIR STEPS AND IN DOING SO, YOUR WISDOM WOULD ABOUND
2 IN THEIR LIVES, THAT CREATIVE NEW IDEAS TO BETTER SERVE OUR
3 COMMUNITIES WOULD SUPERNATURALLY FLOW FROM THESE INDIVIDUALS
4 AND THEIR STAFFS. THAT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF STEWARDING
5 RESOURCES FOR THE NEARLY 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY WOULD ALWAYS BE IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE INTERACTIONS
7 AND DECISIONS MADE THROUGH THESE, YOUR PUBLIC SERVANTS. FATHER
8 GOD, BLESS EACH OF THEM AND ALL OF US HERE THIS MORNING.
9 IMPART YOUR PEACE THAT PASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING OVER THEIR
10 LIVES AT THIS VERY MOMENT. WE THANK YOU FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE
11 AND CREATING EACH OF US FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS. MAY
12 EVERYTHING WE DO HONOR YOU AND SERVE THE GOOD OF OUR FELLOW
13 MAN IN THE NAME OF THE MOST HOLY ONE, AMEN.

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15 **WILLIE L. ALFORD:** I'LL ASK YOU TO JOIN ME AND FACE THE FLAG
16 AND PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE
17 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND
20 GENTLEMEN, WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY
21 PASTOR DAVE DOWLER. DAVE, ALONG WITH HIS WIFE, LAURA, FOUNDED
22 THE WAVESIDE CHURCH IN MALIBU. THE CHURCH SERVES A
23 MULTICULTURAL BODY OF BELIEVERS WHO LOVE GOD AND ARE COMMITTED
24 TO THEIR COMMUNITY. PASTOR DOWLER ORIGINALLY HAILS FROM
25 CENTRAL OHIO. OHIO AND MALIBU. THIS TIME OF YEAR, IT'S A CLOSE



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1 CALL, I KNOW. AND NO, I WON'T HOLD IT AGAINST YOU. ONLY IF YOU
2 WERE FROM S.C. NO, THAT'S JUST JOKE. HE ATTENDED ORAL ROBERTS
3 UNIVERSITY WHERE HE MET HIS WIFE, LAURA. PASTOR DOWLER WAS
4 RECENTLY NAMED AS THE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR BY THE MALIBU
5 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THAT'S QUITE AN HONOR, BECAUSE THERE ARE
6 A LOT OF VOLUNTEERS IN MALIBU, THEY DO A LOT OF WORK IN AND
7 AROUND THAT COMMUNITY. HE RESIDES IN MALIBU WITH HIS WIFE,
8 LAURA, AND THEIR TWO SONS. SO PASTOR DOWLER, THANK YOU VERY
9 MUCH FOR MAKING THE TRIP ALL THE WAY DOWN HERE AND LEADING US
10 IN PRAYER THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, COLLEAGUES. WE'RE
13 DELIGHTED TODAY TO HAVE WITH US AS OUR PLEDGE VETERAN WILLIE
14 L. ALFORD, WHO SERVED AS A PETTY OFFICER FIRST CLASS IN THE
15 U.S.S. HORNET C.V.S. 12 IN THE U.S. NAVY FROM 1965 UNTIL 1973.
16 HE RECEIVED A GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL AND A NATIONAL DEFENSE
17 SERVICE MEDAL. HE IS CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN
18 LEGION, GILBERT W. LINDSAY POST NO. 352, WHERE HE HAS SERVED
19 AS PAST COMMANDER. HE IS THE OWNER OF PLATINUM VAULT. HE IS A
20 GRADUATE OF ROSEMARY HIGH SCHOOL IN ANDREWS, SOUTH CAROLINA,
21 AND A GRADUATE OF LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE. HE HAS THREE
22 CHILDREN AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND HAS LIVED IN THE SECOND
23 DISTRICT FOR A FULL DECADE. AND SO IT'S ON BEHALF OF THE
24 ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT WE EXTEND TO MR. ALFORD OUR
25 SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR HIS LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF



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1 ALLEGIANCE TO OUR NATION AND SAY TO HIM THAT WE APPRECIATE
2 WITH PROFOUND RESPECT YOUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION AS A MEMBER
3 OF THE MILITARY. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SACHI, WOULD YOU CALL
6 THE AGENDA, PLEASE?

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
9 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, PRESENTATIONS
10 AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-1, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT
11 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MARCH 27, 2011. AND ALSO
12 ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
13 HOLD IT. ON ITEM S-2, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,
14 SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE
15 WEEKS TO APRIL 3, 2012. S-2. THREE WEEKS TO APRIL 3, 2012, AND
16 MAKE THE REPORT MONTHLY THEREAFTER. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM,
17 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, WELL OKAY,
20 WE'LL HOLD IT FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. OKAY.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE BOARD
23 OF DIRECTORS SANITATION DISTRICT, NO. 27, ITEM SD-1, IS BEFORE
24 YOU.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES. ANTONOVICH SECONDS
2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** RIDLEY-THOMAS MOVES, KNABE
8 SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
11 HOUSING AUTHORITY. ITEM 1-H.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, RIDLEY-THOMAS
14 SECONDS WITHOUT OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1
17 THROUGH 9. ON ITEM NO. 1, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT
18 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 20, 2012. AND ALSO ON
19 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
20 HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 3, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
21 PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. AND ON ITEM NO. 8, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
22 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THAT ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS
23 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES. KNABE SECONDS.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 10
5 THROUGH 49. ON ITEM NO. 10, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
6 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 12, THIS ITEM IS A
7 FIVE-VOTE MATTER, SO WE WILL CONTINUE IT ONE WEEK TO MARCH 20,
8 2012.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH ITEM?

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. 12. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A
13 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO.
14 13, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
15 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 20, 2012. ON ITEM NO. 14, THE
16 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
17 TWO WEEKS TO MARCH 27, 2012.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ITEM 14?

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 14. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A
22 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ITEM NO. 15,
23 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
24 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 16, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE
25 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 17, THIS



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1 RELATES TO ITEM 50 AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST
2 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY, WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 17.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 21, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
11 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 22, THERE'S ALSO
12 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
13 ITEM NO. 26, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
14 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS
15 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 29, SUPERVISOR
16 ANTONOVICH VOTES NO ON THE ITEM, AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST
17 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC -- I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH IS ABSTAINING ON THIS ITEM. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM,
19 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON
20 ITEM NO. 36, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
21 HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO. 44, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS
22 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
23 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT WAS THE LAST ITEM?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. 44, COUNTY COUNSEL IS HOLDING IT. IT
3 WILL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. RIDLEY-
6 THOMAS MOVES. KNABE SECONDS; WITHOUT OBJECTION, ON THOSE THAT
7 ARE NOT BEING HELD, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM 29, WHICH
10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS ABSTAINING.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 29 ANTONOVICH WILL BE
13 RECORDED AS AN ABSTENTION.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. PAGE 28, ORDINANCES FOR
16 INTRODUCTION ITEMS NO. 50 AND 51 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT
17 TITLES IN FOR THE RECORD. ON ITEM NO. 50 THIS, AN ORDINANCE
18 GRANTING A COMMON CARRIER PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO
19 MOBILE PACIFIC PIPELINE COMPANY TO COLLECT, TRANSPORT AND
20 DISTRIBUTE PETROLEUM AND OTHER PRODUCTS FOR A PERIOD OF 15
21 YEARS IN THE UNINCORPORATED WEST CARSON AREA. ON THIS ITEM,
22 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON
23 ITEM NO. 51, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING
24 THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 3, ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
25 RELATING TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN, BY



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1 AMENDING CHAPTER 3.64 WHICH REDEFINES WHAT CONSTITUTES A
2 QUORUM AND THE NUMBER OF VOTES REQUIRED TO TAKE CERTAIN
3 ACTIONS. AGAIN, ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
4 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 52, DISCUSSION
5 ITEM. SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
6 TWO WEEKS TO MARCH 27, 2012.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT, OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 29, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH
11 WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS
12 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 53-A,
13 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE
14 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 32, NOTICES OF
15 CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM NO. CS-3, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS
16 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MARCH 27, 2012. BUT
17 ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD.
18 AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
20 NO. 3.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. OKAY. IF I CAN ASK THE
23 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GIRL SCOUTS U.S.A. TO COME FORWARD? ARE
24 THEY HERE? WELL WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE A DELEGATION
25 REPRESENTING THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE U.S.A. GIRL SCOUTS IS



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1 CELEBRATING ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY AND ITS EXCEPTIONAL HISTORY
2 OF LEADERSHIP. SINCE ITS 1912 FOUNDING BY JULIETTE GORDON LOW,
3 GIRL SCOUTS HAS CONTINUED TO EVOLVE WHILE REMAINING TRUE TO
4 THE CORE GOALS OF CULTIVATING VALUES AND SOCIAL CONSCIENCE IN
5 GIRLS. GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER LOS ANGELES HAS CONTINUED
6 BUILDING ON THIS LEGACY OF SERVICE TO GIRLS, AND TODAY
7 THOUSANDS OF K-12 FEMALE STUDENTS AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS ARE
8 PART OF THE 42,000 GIRLS AND 23,000 VOLUNTEERS THAT ARE
9 DEVELOPING COURAGE, CONFIDENCE AND CHARACTER TO MAKE THE WORLD
10 A BETTER PLACE. THE GIRL SCOUT TRADITION OF BUILDING
11 LEADERSHIP IS APPARENT IN THAT 66 PERCENT OF WOMEN OF
12 PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT WERE GIRL SCOUTS, INCLUDING LEADERS
13 IN GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS, THE ARTS AND SCIENCE, TECHNICAL
14 FIELDS, SPORTS AND EDUCATION AND STEWARDSHIP. EVERY GIRL
15 EVERYWHERE IN OUR UNIQUELY DIVERSE POPULATION IS WELCOME TO
16 MEMBERSHIP. SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTS TO RESOLVE TODAY
17 THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RECOGNIZES MARCH 11-17, 2012,
18 AS GIRL SCOUT WEEK IN LOS ANGELES. JOINING ITS SISTER COUNTIES
19 THROUGHOUT THE NATION TO APPLAUD THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED
20 STATES FOR THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN INSPIRING AND EMPOWERING
21 YOUNG GIRLS. WE'RE JOINED HERE BY LISE LUTTGENS, WHO IS THE
22 C.E.O. OF GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. AND I'LL HAVE
23 YOU INTRODUCE THE REST OF THE DELEGATION. WE HAVE A VERY GOOD
24 LOOKING GROUP GIRL SCOUTS AND BROWNIES WHO HAVE COME. TOUGH TO
25 BE OUT OF SCHOOL TODAY, RIGHT? [LAUGHTER.] IT'S A SACRIFICE,



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1 BUT SOMEBODY HAS TO DO IT. FIELD TRIP. FIELD TRIP, OF COURSE.
2 [LAUGHTER.] YEAH, YOU LEARN A LOT HERE IF YOU HANG AROUND.
3 SERIOUSLY, I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE. THE BOARD
4 IS PLEASED AND HONORED TO JOIN IN THE 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF
5 GIRL SCOUTS U.S.A. AND WE WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS. AND WELL
6 WE'LL BE AROUND FOR 200 IN ABOUT 100 YEARS. THANK YOU, LISE.

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8 **LISE LUTTGENS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. AND ON BEHALF
9 OF MY BOARD CHAIR, BETSEY BREWER AND I, I'D LIKE TO TELL YOU
10 HOW HONORED WE ARE TO BE WITH YOU TODAY TO MARK THE BEGINNING
11 OF OUR SECOND CENTURY. YESTERDAY WAS OUR ACTUAL 100TH
12 ANNIVERSARY, SO WE'RE ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO BE HERE TODAY TO
13 DECLARE 2012 THE YEAR OF THE GIRL. WE SERVE OVER 40,000 GIRLS
14 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH 20,000 ADULT VOLUNTEERS OVER A 6,000
15 SQUARE MILE AREA OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. WE HELP GIRLS DEVELOP
16 LEADERSHIP AND LIFE SKILLS AND PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY
17 SERVICE THROUGH OUR SIX PROGRAM AREAS. OUR 59 MILLION LIVING
18 ALUMNI NATIONWIDE ARE PROOF THAT WHAT WE TEACH TODAY IMPACTS
19 THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW. 80 PERCENT OF ALL FEMALE BUSINESS
20 OWNERS AND 75 PERCENT OF ALL CONGRESSWOMEN WERE GIRL SCOUTS. A
21 MONTH AGO I WAS ON CAPITOL HILL JOINING SPEAKER NANCY PELOSI
22 AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ADULT GIRL SCOUT TROOP CAPITOL HILL
23 TO LAUNCH A NEW INITIATIVE TO ACHIEVE BALANCED LEADERSHIP IN
24 THIS GENERATION. IT'S CALLED: "TO GET HER THERE." TODAY WE'RE
25 HIGHLIGHTING THIS UNIQUE MOMENT IN OUR HISTORY TO CREATE A



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1 FOUNDATION FOR ALL GIRLS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. OUR CAUSE IS
2 TO BREAK DOWN SOCIETAL BARRIERS THAT HINDER GIRLS FROM LEADING
3 AND ACHIEVING SUCCESS IN EVERY FIELD. WE'RE CALLING ON ALL
4 MEMBERS OF SOCIETY, STARTING WITH EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM TODAY
5 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HELP GIRLS REACH THEIR
6 LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL. BECAUSE WHEN GIRLS SUCCEED, SO DOES
7 SOCIETY. ALL OF US HAVE A ROLE IN MAKING THAT HAPPEN, AND
8 TOGETHER WE WILL GET HER THERE. PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE,
9 WWW.GIRLSCOUTSLA.ORG. CLICK ON THE "TO GET HER THERE" LINK AND
10 PLEASE SIGN OUR PLEDGE. THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO ARE HERE
11 TODAY TO SUPPORT THE GIRL SCOUTS' 100TH ANNIVERSARY.

12 [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THOSE WEREN'T THEIR PARENTS, THOSE
15 WERE THE OLDER SISTERS, I THINK. NEXT, I'D LIKE TO INVITE THE
16 DELEGATION FROM THE LIBERTY HILL FOUNDATION TO COME FORWARD.
17 ARE THEY HERE? YES, OKAY. TODAY I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF
18 PRESENTING PROCLAMATIONS TO FIVE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN
19 RECOGNIZED BY THE LIBERTY HILL FOUNDATION AS LIBERTY HILL
20 LEADERS TO WATCH IN 2012. JOINING THEM ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF
21 LIBERTY HILL FOUNDATION, BARBARA OSBORN. IS BARBARA HERE?
22 OKAY. AND SHANE GOLDSMITH? IS SHANE HERE? OKAY. FIVE
23 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE BEING RECOGNIZED BY LIBERTY HILL
24 FOUNDATION ARE PART OF A PROGRAM WHICH IS DEFINED AS FOLLOWS:
25 WHO'S CHANGING L.A. IN 2012? DRAWING ON 35 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE



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1 INVESTING IN LEADERS AT THE FRONTLINES OF CHANGE, THE LIBERTY
2 HILL FOUNDATION EACH YEAR IDENTIFIES FIVE EXCEPTIONAL LOCAL
3 LEADERS FIGHTING FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE FROM THE GRASSROOTS UP.
4 THESE ARE L.A.'S UNSUNG HEROES, THE MEN AND WOMEN MAKING THE
5 IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE, DOING THE DAY-TO-DAY WORK OF CREATING
6 CHANGE, NOT CHARITY. LIBERTY HILL'S 2012 LEADERS ARE THE
7 COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS -- ARE COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS, DONOR
8 ACTIVISTS, STUDENT LEADERS, AND MENTORS FOR THE NATION'S NEXT
9 GENERATION OF CHANGE MAKERS. IN 2012, LIBERTY HILL WILL HELP
10 INCREASE THEIR ALREADY PROVEN LEADERSHIP AND INFLUENCE. SO
11 WE'RE HONORED TO WELCOME THEM HERE TODAY AND TO PRESENT THESE
12 PROCLAMATIONS TO THESE FIVE DISTINGUISHED RECIPIENTS OF THIS
13 AWARD. FIRST IS JANETTE ROBINSON-FLINT. JANETTE? JANETTE IS
14 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COFOUNDER OF BLACK WOMEN FOR
15 WELLNESS. SHE'S A LIBERTY HILL GRANTEE AND LEADERSHIP
16 INSTITUTE PARTICIPANT AND A 2012 LEADER TO WATCH.
17 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT THE JOHN BARD MANULIS.
18 MANULIS. ALL RIGHT. JOHN IS A MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION
19 PRODUCER, A LIBERTY HILL DONOR ACTIVIST AND ANOTHER 2012
20 LEADER TO WATCH. [APPLAUSE.] DAMON AZALI-ROJAS, WHO IS A
21 CONSULTANT WITH THE JEMMOTT ROLLINS GROUP, A LIBERTY HILL
22 COACH IN THE WALLY MARKS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE AND ANOTHER 2012
23 LEADER TO WATCH. [APPLAUSE.] EILEEN MA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
24 A.P.I. EQUALITY L.A., A LIBERTY HILL COMMUNITY FUNDING BOARD
25 ADVISER AND ANOTHER 2012 LEADER TO WATCH. [APPLAUSE.] AND LAST



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1 BUT NOT LEAST IS ESTHEFANIE SOLANO, THE YOUTH ORGANIZER FOR
2 LIBERTY HILL GRANTEE INNER CITY STRUGGLE AND ANOTHER 2012
3 LEADER TO WATCH. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME REINTRODUCE BARBARA TO SAY
4 A FEW WORDS ON BEHALF OF LIBERTY HILL FOUNDATION AND THIS
5 WONDERFUL OCCASION.

6

7 **BARBARA OSBORN:** I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR
8 RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS HERE IN LOS
9 ANGELES WHO ARE WORKING ON THE FRONTLINES OF CHANGE. THESE
10 INDIVIDUALS ARE WORKING TO IMPROVE OUR SCHOOLS, ARE WORKING TO
11 ADVANCE EQUALITY FOR THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY, ARE WORKING TO
12 IMPROVE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, ARE
13 WORKING TO SUPPORT THE GROWTH OF SOCIAL JUSTICE PHILANTHROPY
14 AND ARE WORKING TO IMPROVE THE LIVES AND HEALTH OF AFRICAN-
15 AMERICAN WOMEN HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I TRUST THAT THE
16 SUPERVISORS' DOORS AND STAFF WILL BE OPEN TO US AS WE COME TO
17 YOU IN THE FUTURE AND ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE VERY
18 IMPORTANT WORK THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE DOING. THANKS SO
19 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU'RE
22 NEXT. I WAS GOING BY THE ORDER ON THE AGENDA. SUPERVISOR
23 KNABE, I APOLOGIZE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M
2 GOING TO ASK TO INVITE STEVE DURON UP HERE TO JOIN ME ALONG
3 WITH HIS WIFE, MARY ANN, AND HIS THREE CHILDREN, LAURA, ETHAN,
4 AND JASON. I'M ALSO GOING TO ASK RUSS GUINEY, OUR DIRECTOR OF
5 PARKS AND RECREATION, TO JOIN US. I THINK FROM THE BOARD
6 STANDPOINT, THIS GENTLEMAN HAS WORKED WITH EVERY ONE OF THE
7 OFFICES UP HERE. AND WE'RE HONORING STEVE TODAY FOR HIS 44
8 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS HE STEPS
9 INTO RETIREMENT. AND WHILE HERE DILIGENTLY COMMITTED HIMSELF
10 TO THE MISSIONS AND PRINCIPLES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
11 RECREATION. HE HAS SERVED AS A RECREATION SPECIALIST,
12 RECREATION SUPERVISOR, CONCESSIONS ANALYST, SENIOR CONTRACTS
13 AND CONCESSIONS ANALYST, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE MANAGER AND
14 REGIONAL OPERATIONS MANAGER. STEVE HAS BEEN A LOYAL AND
15 DEPENDABLE EMPLOYEE DURING HIS MANY, MANY YEARS OF COUNTY
16 SERVICE. AND I THINK I SPEAK FOR MYSELF AND PROBABLY FOR ALL
17 OF US, A REAL ASSET TO THE DEPARTMENT. HIS DEPTH AND WEALTH OF
18 KNOWLEDGE HAS BEEN THE DRIVING FORCE FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE
19 SOUTH AGENCY AND THE DEPARTMENT AS A WHOLE. AND I KNOW THAT
20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS JOINING ME IN THIS PRESENTATION,
21 BUT STEVE IS A TRUSTED ADMINISTRATOR AMONG HIS PEERS AND HAS
22 BEEN KNOWN, HAS BECOME THE BRAINS OF THE SOUTH AGENCY. WOW,
23 WOW, WOW, THAT'S QUITE A LEGACY. BUT I SPEAK FOR MYSELF. IT'S
24 BEEN A REAL PLEASURE TO WORK WITH STEVE OVER THE YEARS, FROM
25 HIS DAYS WITH GOLF OPERATIONS TO HIS TIME AT THE SOUTH



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1 AGENCIES AND MANY POINTS IN BETWEEN. AND I REALLY WANT TO
2 PERSONALLY THANK HIM FOR ALL THAT HE'S DONE, NOT ONLY FOR THE
3 RESIDENTS OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT BUT ALL RESIDENTS OF LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I KNOW MARK HAS SOME
6 COMMENTS TO MAKE, AS WELL, WE WANT TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS ON
7 44 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. WE WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
8 GOOD HEALTH AND AN ENJOYABLE RETIREMENT. MARK?

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KNABE.
11 STEVE, WE JUST WANT TO SALUTE YOU AND SAY TO YOU THAT WE
12 APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE FOR THE COUNTY GENERALLY,
13 BUT THOSE OF US IN THE SECOND DISTRICT JUST HAVE MANY, MANY
14 MEMORABLE MOMENTS TO REFLECT UPON AND CELEBRATE PURSUANT TO
15 YOUR CONTRIBUTION. THE WORK AT HOME DEPOT, THE TENNIS
16 TOURNAMENTS, THE WORK AT DODGER DREAM FIELDS, THE WORK THAT
17 CONTINUES TO HAPPEN BECAUSE OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION, YOUR
18 CREATIVITY, INDEED YOUR LEGACY. AND SO IT'S WITH THAT THAT WE
19 THANK YOU PROFOUNDLY ON BEHALF OF ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THE
20 SECOND DISTRICT. AND WE'RE DELIGHTED TO STAND HERE AND PRAISE
21 YOU UPON YOUR RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** STEVE, BEFORE I LET YOU SAY ANYTHING -- YEAH,
24 LET'S GIVE HIM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. RUSS, DO YOU WANT TO
25 SHARE A COUPLE WORDS?



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2 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WHEN SOMEONE RETIRES AFTER
3 44 YEARS WITH THE COUNTY, THEY'VE USUALLY SPENT TIME IN
4 SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS. STEVE HAS SPENT HIS ENTIRE 44 YEARS IN
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. HE STARTED AS A
6 TEENAGER WORKING AS A RECURRENT RECREATION LEADER AT SALAZAR
7 PARK IN EAST LOS ANGELES, KNOWN AS LAGUNA PARK BACK IN THOSE
8 DAYS, AND HAS RISEN THROUGH THE RANKS TO BECOME A REGIONAL
9 OPERATIONS MANAGER, ONE OF OUR TOP LEADERS. HE HAS A WEALTH OF
10 KNOWLEDGE, A BROAD RANGE OF FRIENDS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT AND
11 HE'S JUST DONE A TREMENDOUS JOHN. I WANT TO THANK HIS WIFE,
12 MARY ANN; HIS TWO SONS, ONE IS HERE TODAY, HIS DAUGHTER, OTHER
13 SON, FOR SHARING HIM WITH US. PARKS AND RECREATION FOLKS WORK
14 WEEKEND, NIGHTS AND HOLIDAYS. AND STEVE HAS SPENT A LOT OF
15 TIME AWAY FROM THE FAMILY. WE HOPE, MARY ANN, HE'LL BE BACK
16 WITH YOU AND BE ABLE TO ENJOY HIS FAMILY. WE CONGRATULATE YOU,
17 STEVE, AND THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** STEVE, IT'S ALL YOURS.

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21 **STEVE DURON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
22 THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING
23 FOR THE COUNTY FOR THE 44 YEARS I'VE BEEN HERE. AS THE
24 SUPERVISOR MENTIONED, NOT ONLY THE FOURTH, THE SECOND, BUT ALL
25 THE DISTRICT OFFICES I'VE WORKED WITH OVER TIME HAVE BEEN



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1 PLEASURABLE TO WORK WITH AND TO BENEFIT WHAT I HOPE IS A GOOD
2 PARK SYSTEM FOR THE COUNTY. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE. IT'S GOING
3 TO BE MORE OF A PLEASURE TO BE WITH MY FAMILY AND ENJOY
4 WATCHING MY SON AND DAUGHTER KEEP GROWING AND OF COURSE MY
5 SON, JASON, WHO IS A DEPUTY WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
6 WILL HOPEFULLY KEEP US SECURE AND SAFE. I THANK YOU ALL FOR
7 BEING HERE THIS MORNING. AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR HONOR AND
8 YOUR PRESENTATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE
13 A NEW CITY COUNCILMEMBER FROM OUR WONDERFUL CITY OF PASADENA,
14 GENE MASUDA, WHO IS A RETIRED BUSINESS OWNER AND FORMER
15 PRESIDENT OF ONE OF EAST PASADENA'S LARGEST NEIGHBORHOOD
16 ASSOCIATIONS, WHO HAS BEEN MY COMMISSIONER ON THE CONSUMER
17 AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR
18 THE PAST SEVEN YEARS. GENE WAS ELECTED TO THE PASADENA CITY
19 COUNCIL BACK IN 2011. AND HE'S DEDICATED TO PRESERVING AND
20 EXPANDING PASADENA'S OPEN SPACES. IN 2009, HE HAD FOUNDED THE
21 GENE MASUDA EDUCATIONAL CENTER AT THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB AT
22 PASADENA WHICH PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUTH. HE WAS
23 DIRECTOR OF THE PASADENA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION AND A STRONG
24 SUPPORTER OF THE PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHICH WILL
25 BE HONORING ONE OF THEIR EDUCATORS NEAR HIGH SCHOOL SHORTLY.



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1 GENE GRADUATED FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES
2 WITH HIS DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. AND HIS WIFE,
3 JOANNE, WHO IS ALSO A RETIRED EDUCATOR, HAVE LIVED IN PASADENA
4 FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS. GENE, CONGRATULATIONS.

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6 **EUGENE MASUDA:** I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR
7 APPOINTING ME TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS. IT WAS SO
8 MUCH FUN. I LEARNED SO MUCH FROM THE EXPERIENCE. IT'S JUST
9 SUCH A WONDERFUL DEPARTMENT. I WANT TO THANK THE STAFF OF THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, THE MANY VOLUNTEERS, AND THANK
11 YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LAST WEEK WE HAD A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM THE
14 ANTELOPE AND SANTA CLARITA VALLEYS AND IT SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE A
15 LOT OF THE INDIVIDUALS FROM PASADENA AND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY.
16 THIS IS VERY UNIQUE BECAUSE THIS YEAR MARKS THE MILKEN FAMILY
17 FOUNDATION'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY RECOGNIZING AND REWARDING
18 AMERICA'S TOP TEACHERS WITH WHAT "TEACHER" MAGAZINE DEEMS "THE
19 OSCARS OF TEACHING." IT RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF
20 OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS, ENCOURAGING TALENTED YOUNG PEOPLE TO
21 ENTER THE TEACHING PROFESSION. AND EACH YEAR EXCEPTIONAL
22 TEACHERS, PRINCIPALS AND SPECIALISTS HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED
23 WITHOUT THEIR KNOWLEDGE BY A BLUE-RIBBON PANEL APPOINTED BY
24 EACH STATE'S DEPARTMENT EDUCATION. AND TODAY WE'RE GOING TO BE
25 RECOGNIZING MANUEL RUSTIN OF JOHN MUIR HIGH SCHOOL. AND WITH



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1 US IS THE PRINCIPAL, SHERYL ORANGE, ALONG WITH DR. JOHN
2 GUNDRY, WHO IS THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE PASADENA UNIFIED
3 SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND OUR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER WHO IS THERE. IS
4 SHE HERE? COOPER IS HERE. AND THE STUDENTS FROM THE WONDERFUL
5 JOHN MUIR HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE MY CHILDREN PLAY A.Y.S.O. SOCCER
6 ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS, DEPENDING UPON THE SCHEDULE AT JOHN
7 MUIR. LAST WEEK WAS GOOD BECAUSE WE WON. TODAY MANUEL, WHO IS
8 THE RECIPIENT OF THIS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD IS A SOCIAL STUDIES
9 TEACHER. HE IS THE LEAD TEACHER FOR JOHN MUIR'S HIGH SCHOOL
10 ARTS ENTERTAINMENT AND MEDIA COLLEGE AND CAREER PATHWAY. HIS
11 TEACHING EFFECTIVENESS IS CHARACTERIZED BY AN INNOVATIVE
12 APPROACH TO INSTRUCTION AND IN DEVELOPING UNIQUE PROGRAMS.
13 STANDOUT PROJECTS HAVE BEEN TO CREATE SONGS AND PERFORMANCES
14 ABOUT THE CONSTITUTION AND ESTABLISH FACEBOOK PROFILES FOR
15 HISTORICAL FIGURES. WHEN HE OFFERED A STATE TEST PRESS BOOT
16 CAMP AFTER SCHOOL FOR A GROUP OF 30 STUDENTS, HE HAD 60 LINED
17 UP IN THE HALLS WANTING TO BE IN THAT CLASS. HE'S RESPONSIBLE
18 FOR COORDINATING STUDENT RECRUITMENT AND INTERNSHIPS FOR
19 COLLEGE AND CAREER PATHWAYS AS WELL AS PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL
20 DEVELOPMENT FOR A FELLOW STAFF. SO MANUEL, CONGRATULATIONS.
21 [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **JOHN GUNDRY:** YES, WE'RE VERY PROUD IN PASADENA TO HAVE SUCH AN
24 OUTSTANDING TEACHER. WE KNOW THAT MR. RUSTIN IS ONE OF MANY
25 OUTSTANDING TEACHERS NOT ONLY IN MUIR BUT ACROSS THE DISTRICT,



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1 PARTICULARLY IN OUR COLLEGE AND CAREER PATHWAYS PROGRAM. IT'S
2 A SIGNATURE PROGRAM AT MUIR HIGH SCHOOL WHERE KIDS ARE HAVING
3 AN OPPORTUNITY NOT ONLY TO BE PREPARED FOR COLLEGE BUT ALSO
4 SUCCESS IN THE WORLD OF WORK. SO WE'RE VERY PROUD THAT THE
5 MILKEN FOUNDATION CHOSE ONE OF OUR TEACHERS TO HONOR. I
6 BELIEVE THEY ONLY HONOR 40 NATIONWIDE EACH YEAR, AND SO THIS
7 IS A TREMENDOUS HONOR, AND WE ARE VERY PROUD AND WANT TO
8 CONGRATULATE MR. RUSTIN HERE TODAY.

9

10 **SHERYL ORANGE:** GOOD MORNING. VERY PROUD OF MR. RUSTIN, VERY
11 PROUD OF THE REINVENTION AT JOHN MUIR, WHICH HE SORT OF
12 EMBODIES, AND PROUD OF THE STUDENTS AT JOHN MUIR. I'M SO GLAD
13 THEY WERE ABLE TO COME HERE THIS MORNING AND SEE THEIR COUNTY
14 GOVERNMENT AT WORK. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ACADEMY AWARD NOMINEE -- [LAUGHTER.]

17

18 **MANUEL RUSTIN:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. I TRULY APPRECIATE IT.
19 TEACHING IN AND OF ITSELF IS A VERY FULFILLING PROFESSION, BUT
20 IT DOESN'T ALWAYS GET REWARDED, SO I DEFINITELY THANK THE
21 MILKEN FOUNDATION FOR TAKING THE TIME TO ACKNOWLEDGE TEACHERS
22 ACROSS THE COUNTRY FOR THE WORK THAT THEY DO. I WOULD LIKE TO
23 THANK MY DISTRICT, PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND OUR
24 LEADER, SUPERINTENDENT JOHN GUNDRY AND MISS RENATA COOPER, THE
25 PRESIDENT OF OUR BOARD, FOR PROVIDING A FREE AND PUBLIC



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1 EDUCATION THAT IS VERY HIGH QUALITY FOR THE STUDENTS OF
2 PASADENA. I ALSO WANT TO THANK MY SCHOOL SITE, JOHN MUIR HIGH
3 SCHOOL, AND OUR PRINCIPAL, SHERYL ORANGE, FOR PROVIDING THE
4 SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOR TEACHERS LIKE ME TO DO WHAT WE
5 DO BEST. AND LASTLY, I'D THANK MY STUDENTS PAST AND PRESENT,
6 SOME OF WHOM ARE HERE TODAY, FOR MAKING THIS THE DREAM JOB
7 THAT IT IS. AND I THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE HAVE THE WINNER OF THE 47TH ANNUAL
10 MISS CHINATOWN PAGEANT, WHICH IS A CONTEST TO SELECT THE
11 INTELLIGENT INDIVIDUALS FROM THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA AS
12 CHINATOWN'S AMBASSADORS TO SERVE AND REPRESENT THE CHINESE
13 COMMUNITY. NOW THE PROGRAM IS SPONSORED BY THE CHINESE CHAMBER
14 OF COMMERCE OF LOS ANGELES. AND MISS CHINATOWN AND HER COURT
15 ATTEND MANY EVENTS DURING THE YEAR, INCLUDING THE ANNUAL
16 GOLDEN DRAGON NEW YEAR'S PARADE AND THE FIRECRACKER 5K, 10K
17 RUN. NOW OUR QUEEN THIS YEAR HAPPENS TO ALSO BE FROM PASADENA.
18 SO AS I SAID, THIS WAS REALLY A PASADENA DAY. AND WE HAVE
19 QUEEN LAUREN WEINBERGER, AND PRINCESS JAN YAP, PRINCES EILEEN
20 KWAN, PRINCESS CELINE LINARTE. LAUREN ZHOU WEINBERGER WAS
21 RAISED IN PASADENA, GRADUATE AND PHI BETA KAPPA FROM
22 VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY THIS PAST MAY WITH A DOUBLE MAJOR IN
23 COMMUNICATION STUDIES AND SPANISH AND MINOR IN CORPORATE
24 STRATEGY. SHE PLANS TO PURSUE A GRADUATE DEGREE IN THE FUTURE.
25 SHE CURRENTLY WORKS IN TELEVISION PRODUCTION, AND ASPIRES TO



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1 IMPACT HOLLYWOOD BY BECOMING A FILM PRODUCER. IN ADDITION TO
2 HER INTERESTS IN THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, SHE HAS A PASSION
3 FOR VOLUNTEERING, INCLUDING SHE JOINED BEST BUDDIES, AN
4 ORGANIZATION THAT PAIRS STUDENTS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL
5 DISABILITIES, TUTORING STUDENT IMMIGRANTS IN NASHVILLE AND
6 PARTICIPATING IN SERVICE TRIPS TO ANIMAL SANCTUARIES
7 THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH. IN HER FREE TIME, SHE ENJOYS TRAVELING,
8 PLAYING BASKETBALL, PRACTICING THE PIANO AND TIME WITH HER
9 FAMILY. FIRST PRINCESS IS EILEEN KWAN. SHE IS A PRINCESS AND
10 MISS FRIENDSHIP. COMPLETED HER MASTER'S DEGREE IN STRATEGIC
11 COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
12 CALIFORNIA AFTER OBTAINING HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN MEDIA
13 STUDIES FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE. SHE
14 BELIEVES THAT COMMUNICATION COMMANDS THE ABILITY TO TRANSFORM
15 AND EMPOWER COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. AFTER
16 GRADUATING, SHE ACHIEVED GLOBAL REACH FOR HER VISION AS A
17 PROGRAM DIRECTOR IN CHINA FOR A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, WHERE
18 SHE MENTIONED AND INSPIRED HOPE IN IMMIGRANT FARMERS'
19 CHILDREN. TODAY SHE STRIVES TO REDEFINE THE CHINESE AMERICAN
20 IDENTITY IN MEDIA AS AN ACCLAIMED HOST FOR SEVERAL TELEVISION
21 PROGRAMS, CHAMPIONS OF K.E.Z.N.'S POP STAR COMPETITION AND
22 ADVISER TO THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS
23 COMMUNICATIONS. SECOND PRINCESS, JANE YAP, WAS BORN AND RAISED
24 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CURRENTLY A FOURTH YEAR STUDENT AT
25 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE COMPLETING THE UNIVERSITY'S



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1 HONORS PROGRAM, MAJORING IN ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL
2 ECONOMICS. AFTER GRADUATION, JANE WILL WORK TO ACHIEVE HER
3 C.P.A., AND START FULL-TIME WITH ERNST & YOUNG, L.L.P. HER
4 LONG-TERM CAREER GOAL IS TO BECOME AN ENTREPRENEUR BY STARTING
5 HER OWN BUSINESS. SHE ENJOYS HER FAMILY, HER FRIENDS, TRYING
6 NEW FOODS, SHOPPING, TRAVELING AND SUPPORTING THE LOS ANGELES
7 LAKERS, WHO HAVE A LOT OF COMPETITION FROM THE CLIPPERS THIS
8 YEAR. FOURTH PRINCESS IS MISS PHOTOGENIC IS CELINE LINARTE.
9 AND SHE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, BUT HAS
10 TRAVELED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. AFTER VISITING MANY CITIES IN
11 CHINA AS WELL AS TAIWAN, SHE FEELS A STRONG CULTURAL IDENTITY
12 AND HOPES TO EXPAND ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. SHE WAS THE
13 YOUNGEST CONTESTANT. SHE JUST GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL, AND
14 CURRENTLY IS ON THE DEAN'S LIST WITH A 4.0 AT THE UNIVERSITY
15 OF CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE. IN THE FUTURE, SHE ASPIRES TO BE AN
16 INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAWYER AFTER GRADUATING, AN ACTIVE
17 MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY. SHE HAS INVOLVED ON NUMEROUS
18 PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE GOLDEN DRAGON PARADE AS WELL AS THE
19 LUPUS RACE FOR LIFE AND LOCAL COMMUNITY WORK. SHE'S BEEN
20 INVOLVED IN ATHLETICS AS WELL AS DANCE, PIANO, ICE SKATING,
21 MODELING, ACTING. AND CONGRATULATIONS, SELL CELINE.

22
23 **LAUREN WEINBERGER:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE.
24 THIS IS TRULY AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE. ON BEHALF OF THE 2012
25 MISS LOS ANGELES CHINATOWN COURT AND THE CHINESE CHAMBER OF



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1 COMMERCE, I'D LIKE TO THANK ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR HARD
2 WORK, DEDICATION, AND OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO L.A.
3 COUNTY. THE QUALITY OF LIFE THAT WE ENJOY IN OUR COMMUNITIES
4 AND NEIGHBORHOODS IS A DIRECT RESULT OF YOUR INVOLVEMENT AND
5 CONTINUED SERVICE WITHIN THE PUBLIC SECTOR. SO THANK YOU. WE
6 HOPE TO SEE YOU AT FUTURE CHINESE CHAMBER FUNCTIONS, AND OTHER
7 CHINATOWN EVENTS. MAY THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON BRING YOU ALL
8 GOOD FORTUNE, HAPPINESS AND HEALTH (SPEAKING IN CHINESE).
9 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE HARVEY. AND I DON'T
12 BELIEVE HE'S FROM PASADENA. HE'S A LITTLE TERRIER. HE'S TWO
13 YEARS OLD. AND HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. HE'S A BIG ONE. AND HE
14 IS GOING TO BE SHEDDING. OKAY, OKAY, HARVEY. ANYBODY WHO WOULD
15 LIKE TO ADOPT HARVEY, YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644. OR IF ANYBODY
16 IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE LITTLE HARVEY, HE WOULD
17 LIKE TO GO HOME WITH YOU. WILL YOU HARVEY? THIS IS ANOTHER ONE
18 THAT HAS A DISNEY EXPRESSION. THEY SAY THE REASON, AS I SAID
19 BEFORE, THE REASON PEOPLE LIKE DOGS IS BECAUSE THEY WAG THEIR
20 TAILS AND NOT THEIR TONGUE.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
25 COLLEAGUES, MAY I INTRODUCE YOU TO ONE WHO IS NEW TO OUR



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1 COUNTY AND DISTINGUISHES HERSELF AS THE 12TH PRESIDENT OF THE
2 MOUNT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE, DR. ANN MCELANEY-JOHNSON ASSUMED
3 THAT LEADERSHIP POSITION ON JULY 1. AND SHE DOES SO HAVING
4 BROAD EXPERIENCE AS AN ACADEMIC, AS AN ADMINISTRATOR. AND I
5 WANT TO JUST SAY TO YOU THAT SHE COMES TO A COLLEGE KNOWN TO
6 US AS MOUNT ST. MARY'S ESTABLISHED IN 1925 BY THE SISTERS OF
7 JOSEPH CARONDELET. THIS INSTITUTION HOLDS THE DISTINCTION OF
8 BEING THE ONLY CATHOLIC COLLEGE PRIMARILY FOR WOMEN IN THE
9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. MOUNT ST. MARY'S IS A ROMAN CATHOLIC
10 INSTITUTION PRIMARILY FOR WOMEN DEDICATED TO PROVIDING A
11 SUPERIOR EDUCATION ENHANCED BY AN EMPHASIS ON BUILDING
12 LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND FOSTERING A SPIRIT TO SERVE OTHERS. THE
13 MOUNT, AS IT IS KNOWN BY ITS STUDENTS, ITS FACULTY AND STAFF,
14 HAS AWARDED OVER 18,000 DEGREES AND CURRENTLY SERVES A STUDENT
15 BODY OF SOME 2,700 UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATE STUDENTS. DR.
16 MCELANEY-JOHNSON CAME TO MOUNT ST. MARY'S FROM SALEM COLLEGE
17 IN WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA. YOU'LL WANT TO KNOW THAT IT
18 WAS FOUNDED IN 1772 AND IS THE OLDEST CONTINUALLY OPERATING
19 WOMEN'S COLLEGE IN THE UNITED STATES. THERE SHE SERVED IN A
20 VARIETY OF LEADERSHIP ROLES, THE MOST RECENT OF WHICH WAS VICE
21 PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS. IN ADDITION TO HER
22 RESPONSIBILITIES AS AN ADMINISTRATOR, SHE WAS A PROFESSOR OF
23 FRENCH AND ENJOYED WORKING WITH STUDENTS IN THE CLASSROOM.
24 THAT'S A MARK OF A GOOD PRESIDENT. AND PRIOR TO HER TENURE AT
25 SALEM COLLEGE, SHE SERVED AS A FACULTY MEMBER AND A



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1 COORDINATOR OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT AT RIPON COLLEGE IN
2 WISCONSIN. SHE'S DEDICATED SOME 23 YEARS OF SERVICE TO SMALL
3 RESIDENTIAL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGES AS A FACULTY MEMBER,
4 ASSOCIATE DEAN, AND CHIEF ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS
5 OFFICER. SHE IS PASSIONATE, I REPEAT, PASSIONATE ABOUT THE
6 IMPORTANCE OF WOMEN'S COLLEGES AND STRONGLY ADVOCATES FOR
7 WOMEN'S EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP ISSUES, AND NOT JUST DURING
8 WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH BUT ALL YEAR AROUND. SHE IS A CHAMPION
9 OF INTERDISCIPLINARY TEACHING AND LEARNING AND BRINGS A
10 SPIRITUAL PERSPECTIVE TO HER WORK. EARNED A PH.D. IN FRENCH
11 FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON AND HER MASTER'S
12 DEGREE FROM MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE IN VERMONT, AND HER BACHELOR'S
13 OF ARTS FROM THE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS IN MASSACHUSETTS.
14 HER RESEARCH INTERESTS FOCUS ON FRANCOPHONE WOMEN WRITERS AND
15 SUBSAHARAN AFRICA AND SHE HAS PRESENTED HER WORK AT BOTH
16 DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES. THIS COMING FRIDAY SHE
17 WILL CELEBRATE BEING OFFICIALLY INAUGURATED AS THE 12TH
18 PRESIDENT OF MOUNT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE, AND IT'S TODAY THAT WE
19 TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONGRATULATE DR. MCELANEY-JOHNSON ON
20 HER NEW ROLE AND WELCOME HER TO LOS ANGELES. AND SO ON BEHALF
21 OF THE LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE DO THIS WITH PRIDE
22 AND WITH GREAT EXPECTATIONS FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY TENURE IN
23 YOUR NEW ASSIGNMENT. [APPLAUSE.]
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1 **DR. ANN MCELANEY-JOHNSON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ON BEHALF OF
2 MOUNT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE AND MY FAMILY, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
3 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS
4 WARM WELCOME TO THE COUNTY AND ALSO FOR THESE GENEROUS, THIS
5 GENEROUS CERTIFICATE WHICH I WILL KEEP CLOSE AND TREASURE
6 TRULY. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT COMING TO MOUNT ST. MARY'S
7 COLLEGE HAS BEEN SUCH A GIFT TO ME AND ALSO IT HAS BEEN SUCH A
8 JOY COMING TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THIS VERY VIBRANT
9 COMMUNITY, AND MAKING IT HOME. AND MY HUSBAND AND I ARE JUST
10 SO FORTUNATE TO HAVE MADE THIS MOVE. AND WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL
11 FOR OUR TIME HERE. MANY OF YOU MAY KNOW THAT AT MOUNT ST.
12 MARY'S COLLEGE, SERVICE IS A PART OF OUR MISSION. AND SINCE
13 1925, WHEN WE WERE FOUNDED BY THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH, WE
14 HAVE BEEN WORKING TO SERVE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
15 PARTICULARLY WE HAVE A SPECIAL CALL TO SERVE THE DAUGHTERS OF
16 LOS ANGELES THROUGH OUR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. AND NOW WE'VE
17 EXTENDED MANY -- EXPANDED MANY OF THOSE TWO MEN, AS WELL. I
18 WANT TO PLEDGE TODAY THE CONTINUED COMMITMENT OF MOUNT ST.
19 MARY'S COLLEGE UNDER MY LEADERSHIP TO SERVING THIS COUNTY.
20 EACH YEAR OVER 1,000 OF OUR STUDENTS ARE OUT AND ABOUT
21 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WORKING IN DIFFERENT SECTORS TO SERVE
22 THE PEOPLE AND TO BETTER THE LIVES OF THE CITIZENS OF OUR
23 COUNTY. PLEASE KNOW THAT THAT REMAINS A TOP PRIORITY FOR ME
24 AND FOR THE COLLEGE, AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US, I THANK YOU
25 VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT ENDS THE PRESENTATIONS AND
3 WE'LL GO TO THE AGENDA. LET ME TAKE UP, FIRST OF ALL, SOME OF
4 THE PUBLIC COMMENT FOLKS WHO ARE HERE. DR. CLAVREUL HAS ASKED
5 TO BE HEARD ON ITEM S-2 AND 21. ARNOLD SACHS HAS ASKED TO BE
6 HEARD ON ITEM 3, 15, 16, 29 AND 36. ERIC PREVEN HAS ASKED TO
7 BE HEARD ON ITEM S-1, 1, 8, 14, 15, 16, 26, 36 AND 50.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 5, I'D LIKE TO MOVE RECONSIDERATION.
10 I HAVE SOME COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS I WANT TO ASK ABOUT IT.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION -- I SECOND IT
13 WITHOUT OBJECTION AS RECONSIDERED AND IT IS HELD ON THE TABLE.
14 COME ON UP, MR. PREVEN. WHOEVER COMES FIRST CAN START FIRST. I
15 DON'T KNOW. IS DR. CLAVREUL HERE? IS SHE ABLE TO HEAR ME?

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHE IS HERE SOMEWHERE.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL GET HER WHEN SHE COMES
20 BACK. OKAY. MR. PREVEN.

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22 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
23 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. ITEM S-1, WHICH I BELIEVE HAS BEEN
24 CONTINUED TODAY, THIS IS THE SIGNIFICANT FORCE IN OUR PRISONS
25 DOCUMENTATION. THE NUMBERS ARE UP CONSIDERABLY. THEY'RE THE



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1 HIGHEST THEY'VE BEEN SINCE SEPTEMBER OF 2011. I DON'T KNOW WHY
2 THAT IS. I AM PLEASED TO LEARN THAT ON FEBRUARY 26, WE DID
3 BEGIN THE OFFICER-WORN VIDEO CAMERA TESTING. I DO HAVE SOME
4 QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT TEST. A, WHO LOANED US THESE CAMERAS? B,
5 WHY IS IT A SIX-MONTH TRIAL? I THINK IT SHOULD BE MUCH
6 SHORTER. ITEM 1, WHY NOT MORE TRANSPARENCY, MS. HAMAI? I SAY
7 WHEN IT COMES TO, FOR EXAMPLE, M.M.P., WHERE WE'RE GIVING
8 \$8,000, I THINK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS NO PROBLEM. BUT WHO
9 IS THAT? IT'S JUST THREE LETTERS, THERE'S NO LINK. IT'S VERY
10 HARD. WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO COME DOWN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
11 JUST GIVE US A LITTLE CLUE. ITEM 1-D AND 1-H, SAME THING.
12 THESE ARE DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THE LINK. YOU
13 CLICK AND THEN THERE'S NOT A LINK TO THE ACTUAL MINUTES OF IN
14 THAT CASE, THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE
15 HOUSING AUTHORITY. ITEM 8, MR. KRATTLI, IS THE PUENTE HILLS
16 HABITAT PRESERVATION AUTHORITY IS DROPPING THE WORDS LANDFILL
17 AND NATIVE FROM ITS TITLE. BUT I HAVE MADE A P.R.A. REQUEST
18 FOR THE LEGAL BILLS ON THIS. AND I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING AND
19 IT'S VERY UPSETTING BECAUSE IT'S A LONG-STANDING REQUEST. ITEM
20 14 IS MR. FUJIOKA, WHO I COMPLIMENTED LAST WEEK, I'M GOING TO
21 RESCIND THAT COMPLIMENT BECAUSE HE HAS NOW GONE FORWARD WITH
22 THE -- WITH MORE TENANT IMPROVEMENT FEES, T.I., TENANT
23 IMPROVEMENT, NOT OKAY. I.T. IS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. THESE
24 ARE GIANT FEES TO A DEVELOPER, IN THIS CASE 5811, L.L.C., WHO
25 NOBODY WOULD KNOW WHO THAT IS. I LOOKED IT UP. HIS NAME IS



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1 STEVE LEE. HE DOES HAVE SOME OTHER PROPERTIES. NOTHING WRONG
2 WITH THAT. BUT THIS DEAL IS NOT APPROPRIATE. IT SEEMS TOO MUCH
3 MONEY IS PAID OUT IN A LUMP SUM. ITEM NO. 16 HAS TO DO WITH
4 OUR COUNTY STRATEGY. THE COUNTY STRATEGY PLAN WILL BE DELAYED
5 AND WE'LL GET TO THAT ANOTHER TIME BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE THE
6 TIME. ITEM 26 HAS TO DO WITH PARKING. AND IT'S COME TO MY
7 ATTENTION THAT ONE OF THE LOBBYING FIRMS FOR A PARKING
8 CONTRACT IS RELATED TO -- NOT RELATED IN ANY WAY THAT WOULD BE
9 IMPROPER -- BUT IS RELATED BY BLOOD TO ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS.
10 IT'S MY HOPE THAT THAT WOULD BE DISCLOSED APPROPRIATELY IN THE
11 DOCUMENTATION. I COULD NOT FIND ANYTHING ABOUT IT. I DON'T
12 WANT TO MAKE ALLEGATIONS WHERE THEY DON'T EXIST. AGAIN, I
13 DON'T THINK THIS IS NECESSARILY WRONG, BUT IT DOES WORRY ME
14 THAT THE FIRM OF ENGLANDER, KNABE AND ALLEN MAY BE INVOLVED
15 THERE. ITEM NO. 17 IS A 15-YEAR EXTENSION FOR A GROUP CALLED
16 MOBILE PACIFIC. MOBILE PACIFIC IS A FANCY WAY OF SAYING EXXON-
17 MOBIL. THESE PEOPLE OUT HERE ARE PAYING NEAR \$5 A GALLON FROM
18 THIS GROUP AND WE ARE GIVING THEM WHAT I CAN ONLY DESCRIBE AS
19 A LITTLE KISS OF A PENALTY TO RUN PIPELINES THROUGH OUR
20 COMMUNITIES. COME ON, SUPERVISOR FUJIOKA, I MEAN C.E.O. WE CAN
21 DO A LITTLE BETTER. LET'S NEGOTIATE WITH THESE GUYS. PAGE 8 IS
22 -- I MEAN ITEM 23, IF I MAY, IS ONCE AGAIN SETTling CASES WITH
23 OUR HOSPITALS. IN THIS CASE, THE ATTORNEYS ARE GETTING 40
24 PERCENT AND 25 PERCENT FOR A TOTAL OF \$65,000 OUT OF A



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1 \$100,000 SETTLEMENT. SIR, DID YOU GET THAT? BECAUSE THAT IS A
2 KEY NUMBER.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMANMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP, I GOT IT THAT.
5 ALL RIGHT. DR. CLAVREUL?

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7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING.

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11 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE
12 CLAVREUL. ON S-2, THAT WAS A SET ITEM, WAS SUPPOSED TO BE
13 HEARD AT 11:30. I DON'T THINK IT IS 11:30 NOW. AND WHEN AN
14 ITEM IS SET FOR A SPECIFIC TIME, IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE HEARD NOT
15 BEFORE THAT TIME. THIS IS A VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. BUT I
16 WILL SPEAK TO IT, ANYWAY. THERE WAS NO REPORT AVAILABLE
17 WHATSOEVER. THAT'S ANOTHER VIOLATION. TO HAVE THAT ITEM
18 POSTPONED UNTIL APRIL IS KIND OF SCARY SINCE WE HAVE NOT HAD A
19 BUDGET FROM D.H.S. SINCE BEFORE MARCH OF LAST YEAR. AND IN
20 MARCH OF LAST YEAR, WE WERE \$200 MILLION UNDER. THAT'S VERY
21 SCARY. AND THAT TO ALLOW IT TO EVEN BE POSTPONED UNTIL APRIL
22 IS EVEN MORE SCARY. AND I JUST HOPE THAT YOU WILL USE YOUR
23 AUTHORITY TO DEMAND THAT WE DO GET A REPORT WITH DUE
24 DILIGENCE, BECAUSE I KNOW WE DO DESERVE ONE. AND I THINK THE
25 PEOPLE SHOULD DEMAND AND HAVE ONE. ON ITEM 22 HAVING TO DO



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1 WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT NEW CONTRACT WITH FOR PATIENT CARE,
2 THERE IS NO INFORMATION VIS A VIS TO WHICH COMPANY THIS IS
3 WHERE THEY BELONG, WHERE THEY ARE FROM. THIS IS A COMPANY
4 WHERE WE ARE AUTHORIZING TO GET IDENTIFICATION ON PATIENTS
5 WITH NO REMUNERATION. THAT ALWAYS CONCERNS ME WHEN SOMEBODY
6 WANTS TO DO THIS JOB WITH NO MONEY ATTACHED TO IT, ESPECIALLY
7 WHEN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO PATIENT INFORMATION. I DON'T KNOW IF
8 THEY HAD AN R.F.P. AGAIN, NONE OF THAT INFORMATION IS
9 AVAILABLE. IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE HAD IT. I WOULD LIKE TO
10 HAVE ALL THAT INFORMATION BEFORE WE TAKE. AND I DID SOME
11 RESEARCH ON WHEN WE TALK ABOUT INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC ABOUT
12 ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. AND WHEN I REVIEWED IN THE PAST, WE DID
13 NOT CALL IT MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. WE TELL EITHER TESTIMONY OF
14 THE PUBLIC ON AN AGENDA OR SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM, NOT PUBLIC
15 COMMENT. ANYWAY, THANK YOU FOR THE TIME.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU DR. CLAVREUL. MR. SACHS?

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS.
20 LET'S SEE. I HELD ITEM 15 JUST BECAUSE OF THE INSIGNIFICANT
21 AMOUNT THAT WAS INVOLVED HERE. YOU'RE GIVING \$11,000 TO THE
22 FIGUEROA PROPERTY-BASED IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ANNUALLY FOR FIVE
23 YEARS. SO THAT'S LESS THAN \$1,000 A MONTH, WHICH COMES TO LESS
24 THAN \$250 A WEEK. I DON'T THINK YOU CAN BUY STAPLES FOR \$250 A
25 WEEK. BUT THAT'S -- AND IT SAYS SPECIAL PROJECTS BEYOND WHAT



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1 ARE CURRENTLY BEING PROVIDED BY THE CITY. MUST BE A VERY
2 SPECIAL -- MAYBE IT'S LIKE A FAVORITE COLLEGE AND YOU'RE ON
3 DOUBLE SECRET PROBATION BECAUSE IT MUST BE A VERY SPECIAL
4 PROJECT TO BE FOR LESS THAN \$250 A WEEK. AND I HELD NO. 29 FOR
5 THE BICYCLE MASTER PLAN BECAUSE I WAS REALLY IMPRESSED WITH
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH STEPPING UP AND BEING CONCERNED ABOUT
7 WHERE THE FUNDING WOULD COME FROM MEASURE "R," EVEN THOUGH HE
8 WAS ON THE M.T.A. BOARD MEASURE "R" FUNDING PROBE COMMITTEE,
9 THE \$10 MILLION GIVEN BACK TO THE COUNTY, MEASURE "R"
10 RETURNED. THERE'S A MEASURE "A" RETURN, ALSO. ARE YOU
11 CONCERNED ABOUT WHERE THAT MONEY IS GOING AND HOW THAT'S
12 IMPACTING BUS CUTS? BUT HERE, HERE IS A PLANNING AND PROGRAM
13 COMMITTEE FOR MAY 19, 2010. THE BICYCLE PLAN THAT INCLUDES --
14 LET'S SEE -- PAGE 5, THE ARROYO SECO BIKE TRAIL, THE COMPTON
15 CREEK BIKE TRAIL, A COUPLE OTHER BIKE TRAILS IN HERE. THE
16 DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL BIKE TRAIL, THE SAN JOSE CREEK BIKE TRAIL
17 PHASE 2. SO I'M WONDERING HOW THAT INTERACTS WITH THE COUNTY'S
18 PLAN THAT WAS LIKE 28 YEARS OLD, AND WHAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED
19 WITH THAT 28-YEAR-OLD PLAN IN THE FIRST PLACE THAT'S LEFT OVER
20 TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE NEW PLAN? AND I HELD ITEM 36.
21 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS OUT OF THE ROOM. BUT ON THE
22 CONTRACT FROM HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD, I WAS JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW
23 IF THEY WERE GOING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE LENNOX HAWTHORNE
24 BOULEVARD, CENTURY BOULEVARD AND HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD
25 INTERSECTION. BECAUSE YOUR BUSES GOING OVER THAT, CROSSING



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1 THROUGH THAT INTERSECTION HAVE DETERIORATED THOSE CORNERS THAT
2 THEY'RE ALMOST CAVERNS. THEY'RE ALMOST AS DEEP AS THE --
3 THEY'RE NOT QUITE AS DEEP AS THE GRAND CANYON, BUT THEY'RE
4 GETTING THERE. SO I WAS WONDERING IF YOU WERE GOING TO DO ALL
5 THIS STRIPING AND THEN HAVE TO GO BACK AND DO OVER THE WORK.
6 AND THEN I HELD UP 16, OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. SAW IT WAS
7 LISTING THE D.C.F.S., THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, THE SHERIFF,
8 THE COUNTY COUNSEL, HEALTH AGENCIES AND ALL THE WONDERFUL NEWS
9 THAT WE KEEP GETTING AND THE CHANGES, AND I WAS WONDERING:
10 OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS? I DON'T KNOW.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF WE COULD GET APPROVAL ON
15 SOME OF THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM S-1, THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED
16 TWO WEEKS TO MARCH 27.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM S-2, AND I COULD RUN THROUGH THE
21 ENTIRE LIST.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE DO.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GET ONE APPROVAL. ITEM S-2, THIS ITEM WILL
2 BE CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO APRIL 3. ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS WILL
3 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 20. ITEM NO. 8, ITEM NO. 10
4 WILL BE BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 14 WILL BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
5 MARCH 27. ITEM NO. 15 WILL BE BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 16 WILL BE
6 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 20. ITEM NO. 17, 21 AND 22 WILL BE
7 BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 29 WILL BE BEFORE YOU WITH SUPERVISOR
8 ANTONOVICH ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE, AND ITEM NO. 36, 50 AND
9 51 WILL BE BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
12 MOVES. ANTONOVICH SECONDS ON ALL BUT ITEM 29 TO MOVE APPROVAL.
13 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. KNABE MOVES AND RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS SECONDS ON ITEM 29. WITHOUT OBJECTION, RIDLEY-THOMAS,
15 KNABE AND MYSELF WILL BE RECORDED AS AN AYE VOTE, AND
16 ANTONOVICH ABSTAINS.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I FAILED TO READ MY
21 ADJOURNING MOTIONS, AND LET ME DO THAT AT THIS TIME. I MOVE
22 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PETER
23 BERGMAN, WRITER AND ACTOR, FOUNDER OF THE PIONEERING 1960S
24 RADIO RECORDING AND LIVE PERFORMANCE SATIRICAL COMEDY TROUPE,
25 THE FIRESIGN THEATER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 72 IN



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1 SANTA MONICA AFTER A BATTLE WITH LEUKEMIA. HE IS SURVIVED BY
2 HIS DAUGHTER, LILY OSCAR BERGMAN; A SISTER, WENDY KLECKNER;
3 AND HIS FIRE SIGN THEATER PARTNERS, PHIL PROCTOR, PHIL AUSTIN,
4 AND DAVID OSSMAN. TED ALVY, A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF OUR
5 DISTRICT IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND A PIONEERING MUSIC
6 PROGRAMMER, PRODUCER, AND DISK JOCKEY IN LOS ANGELES RECENTLY
7 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 62 IN VAN NUYS. HE WAS PART OF A
8 TALENTED AND DEDICATED COHORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HELPED
9 TRANSFORM MUSIC PROGRAMMING FROM THE TIGHT AND REPETITIOUS
10 PLAY LISTS OF THE TOP 40 A.M. RADIO INTO THE CREATIVE FREE-
11 FORM F.M. RADIO UNDERGROUND SOUNDS OF THE LATE 1960S AND EARLY
12 '70S. HIS VARIOUS FORMATS ARE STILL WITH US TODAY. HE WORKED
13 CLOSELY WITH MOST OF THE MAJOR RADIO PERSONALITIES OF THE ERA,
14 INCLUDING B. MITCHELL REED, JIM LADD, BARRY HANSEN, BETTER
15 KNOWN AS DR. DEMENTO. JEFF GONZER, AND THE RADIO COMEDY
16 TROUPE'S CREDIBILITY GAP AND THE FIRESIGN THEATER, AMONG
17 COUNTLESS OTHERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, RITA ALVY-
18 TEETER; AND MANY FRIENDS AND FORMER COLLEAGUES. AND FINALLY
19 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF SACHA DYBNIS, LONGTIME
20 RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT, A LIFELONG FRIEND OF MINE, WHO
21 RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66 AFTER A LONG
22 CONVALESCENCE FOLLOWING A TRAGIC FALL THAT HE TOOK WHILE
23 WORKING ON HIS HOUSE. FOR MANY YEARS, HE WAS A SUCCESSFUL
24 DENTIST AND HAD A VERY SUCCESSFUL DENTAL PRACTICE IN WEST LOS
25 ANGELES AND WAS ACTIVE IN HIS COMMUNITY IN MANY WAYS. HE IS



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1 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BONNI DYBNIS; TWO SONS, MICHAEL AND ARI;
2 A SISTER, MONIQUE GOLDWASSER; AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. A
3 THIRD SON, JOSHUA, PREDECEASED HIM, ALSO AS A RESULT OF A
4 FALL, WHICH IS QUITE REMARKABLE. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN HIS
5 MEMORY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ALL THREE OF
6 THOSE ADJOURNING MOTIONS. CAN WE TAKE UP ITEM NO. 12? I THINK
7 WE HAVE A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD ON THAT?
8 MISS PLAMBECK? AND AFTER MS. PLAMBECK SPEAKS, WE'LL CONTINUE
9 THIS A WEEK. WE CAN HEAR IT AGAIN NEXT WEEK.

10

11 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** LYNNE PLAMBECK SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF SANTA
12 CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT. THANK
13 YOU FOR LETTING ME SPEAK ON THIS SINCE I CAME DOWN. I
14 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHY WE'RE DOING IT.

17

18 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** AS YOU KNOW, THIS ANNEXATION IS PARTLY VACANT
19 LAND AND THEN A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION IS ALREADY EXISTING
20 HOUSING. THE VACANT LAND IS THE VISTA RANCH PROJECT. SCOPE AND
21 FRIENDS OF THE SANTA CLARA RIVER HAVE FILED A PUBLIC INTEREST
22 CHALLENGE ON THAT PORTION OF THE ANNEXATION DUE TO THE FACT
23 THAT IT'S GOING TO PRODUCE LEVIES FOR 7500 FEET OF LEVIES
24 BUILT IN THE FLOODPLAIN. AND INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, MR.
25 ANTONOVICH, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE DID FILE A CONCERN ON THIS



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1 PROJECT IN THE E.I.R. AND IT NAMED THE FACT THAT THEY WERE NOT
2 COMPLYING WITH SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREA PROTECTIONS FOR THE
3 SANTA CLARA RIVER, AMONG OTHER ISSUES THAT IT BROUGHT UP. AND
4 WE SENT IN A LETTER INCLUDING THE COUNTY'S LETTER. SO WHAT WE
5 BASICALLY ARE ASKING IS THAT YOU WOULD DELAY CONSIDERATION OF
6 THIS ANNEXATION UNTIL THE PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION IS
7 RESOLVED. BECAUSE WHEN IT GOES TO L.A.F.C.O., L.A.F.C.O. WILL
8 DEPEND ON THE CERTIFICATION OF THAT E.I.R., AND IF IT'S SET
9 ASIDE, IT MEANS THE COUNTY WOULD -- YOU WOULD HAVE ALREADY
10 AGREED TO HAVE THIS TAX INCREMENT GO AWAY FROM YOU. AND IT'S A
11 LOT OF MONEY. IT'S \$500,000. SO I'M WONDERING WHY THE COUNTY
12 WOULD GO AHEAD AND AGREE TO DE-ANNEXATION AT THIS TIME AND
13 LOSE THAT TAX INCREMENT WHEN IN FACT THE WHOLE PROJECT MAY BE
14 DELAYED IF THE ISSUES REGARDING FLOODPLAIN AND HABITAT HAVE TO
15 BE ADDRESSED AND THE E.I.R. RECIRCULATED. SO THAT'S JUST MY
16 QUESTION, THAT YOU LOOK CLOSELY AT THE LETTER THAT THE
17 EXECUTIVE OFFICE FILED ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY IN THE E.I.R.
18 AND THAT YOU CONSIDER WHAT THIS IS GOING TO MEAN TO COUNTY
19 RESIDENTS IN THAT AREA AND YOUR LOSS OF TAX INCREMENT BEFORE
20 YOU VOTE TO DE-ANNEX THIS PROJECT. BECAUSE IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE
21 THE COUNTY WAS VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS TO BEGIN WITH. SO WE
22 JUST WANTED YOU TO NOT PUT IT ON CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVE
23 IT.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM NO. 12
5 WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 20. OKAY. SO LET'S TAKE UP
6 ITEM NO. 3. OKAY. WE HAVE 12 PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE, AND I'M
7 GOING TO SUGGEST THAT WE LIMIT THE -- WHO WANT TO BE HEARD ALL
8 IN OPPOSITION TO THIS. AND MANY OF THESE FOLKS HAVE BEEN HERE
9 OVER THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS. AND I'M GOING TO JUST SUGGEST
10 THAT WE LIMIT THE TESTIMONY TO TWO MINUTES SO THAT WE CAN --
11 WE HAVE SEVERAL OTHER ITEMS THAT ARE GOING TO BE EQUALLY AS
12 LENGTHY AS FAR AS THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY IS CONCERNED. IS THERE
13 ANY OBJECTION TO THAT? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. SO LET ME CALL UP
14 FOUR PEOPLE AT A TIME. GERARDO GOMEZ, SHEILA PINKEL, JESSE
15 AGUILAR, AND LESLIE MENDOZA. ARE THEY HERE? THEY'RE COMING,
16 OKAY. GOOD MORNING. AND WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

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18 **GERARDO GOMEZ:** MY NAME IS GERARDO.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMANMAN:** OKAY, GO AHEAD.

21

22 **GERARDO GOMEZ:** I'M A STAFF MEMBER AT HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES AND
23 I'M A STRONG ALLY OF YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION AND I'M HERE TO
24 OPPOSE CHIEF POWERS' OPPOSITION BECAUSE I FEEL THAT WE HAVE TO
25 STOP CRIMINALIZING OUR YOUTH. AND WE HAVE TO START FOSTERING A



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1 COMMUNITY OF KINSHIP. AND EARLIER YOU GUYS PRESENTED AWARDS TO
2 THE GIRL SCOUTS AND YOU JUST TALKED ABOUT IT WAS THE YEAR OF
3 THE GIRLS. I THINK THE YEAR SHOULD BE THE YEAR OF THE YOUTH.
4 AND SO WE HAVE TO ALSO FIND ALTERNATIVES. AT HOMEBOY
5 INDUSTRIES, WE'RE FINDING A HOLISTIC APPROACH IN DEALING WITH
6 ISSUES AFFECTING OUR COMMUNITIES. AND I THINK THAT THE MONEY
7 THAT WILL BE SPENT ON PRISONS WILL BE BETTER SPENT ON SOCIAL
8 SERVICES THAT WILL HELP OUR YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES. BECAUSE
9 THE FAMILIES, THEY MAY BE GOING THROUGH SOME HOUSING ISSUES OR
10 WHATNOT, AND SO INSTEAD OF SPENDING ALL THAT MONEY ON PRISONS,
11 WE SHOULD LOOK A HOLISTIC APPROACH AND MAYBE FINDING MORE
12 ALTERNATIVES TO THE YOUTH, MORE AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS,
13 HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. SO I JUST HOPE THAT YOU TAKE
14 THIS INTO CONSIDERATION AND LET US BE A COUNTY THAT LOOKS WITH
15 COMPASSION, THAT LOOKS WITH DIGNITY OF THE YOUTH INSTEAD OF
16 CRIMINALIZING THE YOUTH AND SCAPE GOATING THEM AND JUST SEEING
17 THEM FROM WHAT THEY ARE. BUT LET US LOOK DEEP DOWN WITHIN AND
18 REALIZE THE GIFTS AND THE POTENTIALS THAT THEY HAVE. SO I HOPE
19 YOU TAKE THIS INTO CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU GERARDO. SHEILA PINKEL?

22

23 **SHEILA PINKEL:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO
24 SPEAK. I'M A PROFESSOR AT POMONA COLLEGE AND I'VE SPENT MANY
25 YEARS STUDYING THE ISSUES THAT CONFRONT YOUTH IN OUR



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1 COMMUNITIES. AND I'VE COME TO BELIEVE THAT -- I DON'T BELIEVE
2 THAT FURTHER CRIMINALIZATION OF THE YOUTH IS THE SOLUTION,
3 THAT WE NEED TO BE CREATIVE IN OUR ATTEMPT TO TRY TO SOLVE THE
4 PROBLEMS THAT THE YOUTH CONFRONT. AND I DON'T THINK THAT
5 INCARCERATION IS THE ANSWER. I THINK THAT EDUCATION, HOUSING,
6 JOBS AND SOCIAL SERVICES ARE THE ANSWER. AND I'M HERE BECAUSE
7 I ALSO WANT TO DESCRIBE A PROGRAM THAT'S BEING INITIATED IN
8 THE LEIMERT PARK AREA OF LOS ANGELES, WHERE A GROUP OF
9 EDUCATORS AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE URBAN
10 LEAGUE, ARE GETTING TOGETHER TO IDENTIFY THE AT-RISK YOUTH IN
11 THEIR OWN COMMUNITY. AND THIS SATURDAY THEY'RE GOING TO BE
12 HAVING A TEACH-IN FOR 100 OF THOSE YOUTH. THESE ARE YOUTH IN
13 JUNIOR HIGH WHO ARE -- DO NOT HAVE FAMILIES AND THAT THEY'VE
14 BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE SCHOOLS AS POTENTIALLY AT RISK. AND SO
15 THE COMMUNITY IS GETTING TOGETHER TO START TO PROVIDE SOCIAL
16 SERVICES AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THESE PEOPLE, AND I
17 THINK THAT THIS MODEL NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT AND SUPPORTED
18 RATHER THAN THE SUPPORT GOING TO FURTHER INCARCERATION.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. JESSE
21 AGUILAR?

22

23 **LESLIE MENDOZA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LESLIE MENDOZA, I'M
24 FROM THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** STOP FOR A SECOND. WHERE IS MR.
2 AGUILAR? DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD FIRST?

3

4 **LESLIE MENDOZA:** OH NO, HE CAN GO FIRST, THAT'S FINE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WANTED TO MAKE SURE HE WAS
7 CALLED OUT. YOU GO AHEAD, SORRY.

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9 **LESLIE MENDOZA:** I ASK THE COUNTY TO CLOSE D.J.J.A. AND BRING
10 HOME OUR YOUTH. LET'S WORK TOGETHER AND CREATE ALTERNATIVES
11 FOR THE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE TRIED FOR SERIOUS CHARGES
12 AND MAKE THEM STAY AT A LOCAL LEVEL SO WE CAN PROVIDE BETTER
13 VISITING FOR FAMILIES AND NOT MAKE THEM TRAVEL ONE OR MORE
14 HOURS JUST TO GET TO THE NEAREST DETENTION FACILITY. THAT'S
15 ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MS. MENDOZA.
18 I APPRECIATE IT. BEFORE YOU GO, MR. AGUILAR, LET ME CALL UP
19 BRANDY BROWN, KIM MCGILL AND KEIDRA JOHNSON? KEIDRA JOHNSON?
20 MR. AGUILAR

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22 **JESSE AGUILAR:** HI, MY NAME IS JESSE AGUILAR. I'M A YOUTH
23 ORGANIZER WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. WE'RE HERE TO URGE
24 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT THE CLOSURE OF D.J.J. AND
25 TO CREATE AN ALTERNATIVE TO KEEP THE YOUTH AT A LOCAL LEVEL.



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1 KEEPING THESE YOUTH AT A LOCAL LEVEL IS VERY IMPORTANT IN
2 REGARDS TO THE SAFETY INSIDE THE PRISONS. AND ALSO IT'S VERY
3 IMPORTANT FOR THESE FAMILIES TO BE ABLE TO COME VISIT THEIR
4 FAMILY MEMBERS WHO ARE INCARCERATED. ALSO, WE BELIEVE THAT
5 KEEPING THEM AT A LOCAL LEVEL WOULD CREATE BETTER
6 OPPORTUNITIES FOR MONITORING THEIR SAFETY AND THEIR CONDITIONS
7 INSIDE THESE FACILITIES. THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BRANDY BROWN?

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11 **BRANDY BROWN:** HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BRANDY BROWN. I'M
12 FROM THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. I FEEL LIKE YOU SHOULD CLOSE
13 D.J.J. AND BRING YOUNG YOUTH HOME SO THEY CAN BOND WITH THEIR
14 FAMILIES, SO THEY CAN GET BACK INTO SCHOOL AND FINISH. I
15 REMEMBER WHEN I WAS IN THE HALLS, ALL I WANTED TO DO WAS GO
16 HOME AND GET BACK INTO SCHOOL. NOW I CAN SAY I REACHED MY
17 GOAL. AND NOW I KNOW THERE IS MORE YOUTH LIKE ME. LET'S GIVE
18 THEM A CHANCE AND COME HOME. THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. KIM MCGILL?

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22 **KIM MCGILL:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. DION WHITFIELD WAS 17,
23 HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION AND HE WAS
24 FOUND HUNG IN HIS CELL AT A STOCKTON D.J.J. FACILITY. HIS
25 CELLMATE, JARRELL FEASTER WAS THERE, HUNG WITH HIM. THEY HAD



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1 BEEN ON LOCKDOWN FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, 23-1/2 HOURS EVERY DAY
2 AND THEY HAD BEEN PUT ON PROZAC WITHOUT NOTIFYING THEIR
3 FAMILIES. A FEW MONTHS AFTER THEIR DEATHS, IT WAS FOUND THAT
4 PROZAC ACTUALLY HAS THE OPPOSITE EFFECT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.
5 THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME CHANGES TO D.J.J.
6 FACILITIES WITH MAJOR LAWSUITS AND THE DEATH OF FIVE YOUNG
7 PEOPLE. BUT STILL THE VIOLENCE IN THE FACILITIES IS MUCH MORE
8 EXTREME THAN THE VIOLENCE AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. FURTHERMORE,
9 FAMILIES ROUTINELY HAVE TO SPEND HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS AND
10 TRAVEL FROM UPWARDS OF SIX TO 12 HOURS TO VISIT THEIR LOVED
11 ONES INSIDE. SO YOUNG PEOPLE FOR WHOM FAMILY VISITS AND FAMILY
12 CONNECTION IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THEIR REENTRY AND
13 REHABILITATION IS DENIED THEM. THIRD, WITH FACILITIES SO FAR
14 AWAY FROM COUNTIES AND FROM FAMILIES, IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE
15 TO MONITOR CONDITIONS INSIDE. EVEN THE FEW ORGANIZATIONS
16 AROUND THE STATE THAT TRY TO DO THAT HAVE LIMITED ACCESS TO
17 D.J.J. FACILITIES. FOURTH, THE COUNTY, I UNDERSTAND, IS
18 CONCERNED ABOUT THE COSTS. BUT WITH A LITTLE BIT OF PRESSURE
19 ON THE GOVERNOR AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE, WE COULD RE-
20 POSITION A.B.900 FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL
21 FACILITIES, NOT NEW FACILITIES, BUT THE UPGRADING OF
22 FACILITIES THAT WE ALREADY HAVE. WE HAVE AT LEAST THREE CAMPS
23 EMPTY. WE HAVE A D.J.J. FACILITY IN NORWALK THAT'S EMPTY. WE
24 HAVE AT LEAST 7,000 BEDS AT THE COUNTY LEVEL THAT ARE EMPTY.
25 ALL OF THESE WOULD BE BETTER ALTERNATIVES THAN TO HAVE YOUNG



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1 PEOPLE 10, 12 HOURS AWAY FROM THEIR FAMILIES. FIFTH, THIS
2 WOULD HAVE THE ADDED BENEFIT OF POTENTIALLY CREATING
3 ALTERNATIVES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE SENT DIRECTLY TO STATE
4 PRISON AT THE AGE OF 18 AND GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE
5 REAL REHABILITATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE HERE IN THE COUNTY AS
6 OPPOSED TO A FAST TRACK TO THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM. FINALLY,
7 YOU'LL HEAR PROBABLY, YOU DID LAST WEEK, FROM THE DISTRICT
8 ATTORNEY AND FROM CHIEF POWERS THAT THIS IS GOING TO LEAD TO
9 AN INCREASE IN THE TRANSFER AND DIRECT FILING OF YOUNG PEOPLE
10 INTO COURT. WE URGE YOU TO STUDY THIS MATTER BECAUSE L.A. HAS
11 ALREADY FAST TRACKED SO MANY YOUNG PEOPLE INTO ADULT COURT,
12 AND WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT THE ORIGINAL CLOSURES OF HALF THE
13 D.J.J.S, THAT WE SAW AN INCREASE IN THIS FILING. AND ANYWAY,
14 THERE'S BEEN NO REAL MEASURE OF THIS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE APPRECIATE IT.

17

18 **KIM MCGILL:** I URGE YOU THAT TODAY WHEN YOU ADJOURN, YOU
19 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SYLVESTER TALLIES, WHO WAS ALSO GREW UP
20 IN D.J.J. AND WAS FOUND O.D.'D ON HEROIN, ANOTHER MEMBER OF
21 THE Y.J.C. TWO WEEKS AGO. HIS FAMILY LOOKED FOR HIM FOR TWO
22 WEEKS UNTIL HE WAS FOUND IN THE MORGUE. ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.
23 I URGE YOU TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DION WHITFIELD AND NOT
24 TO FORGET THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR SYSTEM WHO DIE EVERY DAY
25 WITHOUT MEMORIES. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME CALL DOWN JAQUITA BROWN.

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4 **SPEAKER:** KEIDRA IS HERE TOO.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHE'LL BE NEXT BUT I WANT TO BRING
7 THE NEXT THREE DOWN. TANISHA DENARD AND DAVID CHAVEZ. MS.
8 JOHNSON, YOU'RE NEXT.

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10 **KEIDRA JOHNSON:** MY NAME IS KEIDRA JOHNSON. I'M WITH THE YOUTH
11 JUSTICE COALITION. I THINK WE SHOULD SHUT DOWN THE D.J.J.
12 BECAUSE I FEEL THERE SHOULD BE ALTERNATIVES FOR YOUTH IN JAIL.
13 I FEEL LIKE THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE TO STAY THAT FAR AWAY FROM
14 FAMILIES, AND JUST HAVE THEM IN CLOSE FACILITIES NEAR THEIR
15 HOMES. IT MAKES IT HARD FOR THE FAMILIES TO VISIT THEM BECAUSE
16 THEY HAVE TO TRAVEL LONG DISTANCES. AND DUE TO EXPENSES, I
17 MEAN THAT MAKES IT HARD, TOO. AND IT ALSO MAKES IT HARD FOR
18 THAT INDIVIDUAL WHO IS INCARCERATED BECAUSE THEY CAN'T GET THE
19 FULL FAMILY SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. JAQUITA
22 BROWN.

23

24 **JAQUITA BROWN:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME'S JAQUITA AND I'M FROM
25 Y.J.C., A YOUTH ORGANIZER. AND I FEEL THAT THE D.J.J. SHOULD



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1 BE CLOSED BUT KEPT IN THE L.A. COUNTY SO THAT THE YOUTH ARE
2 ABLE TO HAVE VISITS FROM PARENTS OF OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS THAN
3 BEING FAR AWAY WITH NO VISITS EVERY DAY, BEING MISERABLE. THIS
4 MAKES US MORE LIKELY TO COMMIT SUICIDE AND CREATE VIOLENCE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TANISHA DENARD.

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8 **TANISHA DENARD:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TANISHA DENNARD. I'M
9 WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION ALSO. I HAVE BEEN A YOUNG
10 PERSON LOCKED UP BEFORE. I HAVE BEEN THAT LONELY PERSON IN THE
11 CELL HOPING MY FAMILY WOULD SEND ME A LETTER THROUGHOUT THE
12 WEEK OR COME VISIT ME ON THE WEEKEND. I THINK IT IS UNFAIR
13 THAT YOU WANT TO SHIP OFF THESE YOUTH TO FAR OFF FACILITIES
14 WHERE IT WOULD BE HARDER FOR FAMILIES TO GET, BECAUSE THEY CAN
15 BARELY MAKE TO IT THE ONES JUST MILES AWAY. I THINK THERE ARE
16 CLOSER ALTERNATIVES AND WAYS TO SHUT DOWN D.J.J. AND STILL
17 HAVE YOUTH CLOSER TO FAMILIES AND THEIR SUPPORT. AND BY THE
18 WAY, I REALLY URGE YOU GUYS, BECAUSE IT'S CRAZY HOW THE YOUTH
19 JUSTICE COALITION HAS SPENT SO MUCH TIME HERE AND WE'VE SPENT
20 A LOT OF TIME ON -- AND KEEPING THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE CLOSER TO
21 THEIR FAMILIES AND OUT OF PRISONS. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE WE GO TO MR.
24 CHAVEZ, LET ME CALL REASON RANESHA MATTHEWS, YOU CAN COME
25 DOWN. JAYTON DAVIS AND BOBBY COOPER? MR. CHAVEZ.



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2 **DAVID CHAVEZ:** BEFORE I START, CAN I ASK IS GLORIA MOLINA GOING
3 TO BE JOINING US TODAY?

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GLORIA MOLINA IS OUT ILL TODAY.
6 SHE WILL NOT BE HERE.

7

8 **DAVID CHAVEZ:** SO THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE. SO MY NAME IS
9 DAVID CHAVEZ AND I'M AN ORGANIZER WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE
10 COALITION. I'M HERE TO SAY THAT YOU SHOULD ALL REJECT CHIEF
11 POWERS' LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR AROUND THE CLOSURES OF D.J.J.
12 FACILITIES. IT HAS ACTUALLY BEEN AN EXTREME VICTORY TO
13 ACTUALLY HAVE THESE CLOSE AT A STATE LEVEL. YOUNG PEOPLE
14 DESERVE DIGNITY. THEY DON'T DESERVE TO BE SHIPPED OFF OUT OF
15 THEIR LOCAL AREA, LOCAL COUNTY. AND THEY SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO
16 THEIR FAMILIES WITH VISITS. FAMILIES WITH LOVED ONES OR LOVED
17 ONES INSIDE CONTACT IS ESSENTIAL FOR REHABILITATION. AND I
18 REALLY WANT TO PROPOSE THIS QUESTION TO YOU ALL. WHERE WOULD
19 YOU WANT TO SEND YOUR CHILDREN, NIECES OR NEPHEWS OR
20 GRANDCHILDREN IF THEY WERE TO COMMIT A SERIOUS CRIME OR BE
21 CONVICTED OF A SERIOUS CRIME? WOULD YOU RATHER HAVE TO DRIVE 6
22 TO 12 HOURS TO GO VISIT THEM? OR WOULD YOU FEEL MORE
23 COMFORTABLE WITH THEM BEING HERE IN THE COUNTY? AND I THINK
24 YOU WOULD DEFINITELY ADVOCATE, JUST LIKE THESE YOUNG PEOPLE
25 ARE DOING TODAY. SO I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. AND NOW I



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1 REALLY WANT TO REALLY ADDRESS ALL THE FOLKS WHO ARE WATCHING
2 ON T.V. OR WHO WILL WATCH THIS, ESPECIALLY THE MOTHERS AND THE
3 FATHERS AND THE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO DO HAVE YOUR YOUNG PEOPLE
4 LOCKED INSIDE, YOU NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU CALL THE FOLKS
5 HERE AND LET THEM KNOW HOW YOU FEEL. I THINK IT'S REALLY
6 IMPORTANT THAT YOU ALL HEAR THE VOICES OF THE MOTHERS AND THE
7 FATHERS WHO ARE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE -- WHO ARE GOING TO HAVE
8 TO BE THE ONES THAT ARE DRIVING, THE ONES THAT ARE GOING TO
9 HAVE TO SUFFER EVEN MORE NOW IF YOU ALL DO SEND THIS LETTER TO
10 THE GOVERNOR. SO I THINK THAT IT'S REALLY SHORT SIGHTED. IT'S
11 NOT RESPECTING YOUNG PEOPLE OR YOUNG PEOPLE'S FAMILIES IN YOUR
12 DISTRICTS IF YOU ARE TO SEND THEM OUT TO STATE FACILITIES
13 RATHER THAN KEEPING THEM HERE IN THE COUNTY CLOSE TO FAMILY
14 CONTACT. SO PLEASE DO NOT SEND IT UP TO THE GOVERNOR. YEAH,
15 THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO SAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. RANESHA MATTHEWS?

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19 **RANESHA MATTHEWS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS RANESHA MATTHEWS
20 AND I'M WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. SO I'M HERE AS WELL
21 TO OPPOSE ITEM NO. 3. NO, I DON'T THINK THAT WE SHOULD BE
22 SENDING OUR YOUTH UPSTATE. IT'S ALREADY HARD ENOUGH BEING IN A
23 CAMP AND THEN TO SEND US FAR AWAY SO OUR PARENTS CAN'T COME
24 SEE US AND VISIT US. AND IT'S ALREADY BAD ENOUGH TO BE IN A
25 CAMP ANYWAY. IT'S LIKE WE COME HERE ALL THE TIME WITH



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1 ALTERNATIVES AND OTHER WAYS TO HELP OUR YOUTH AND ALL YOU GUYS
2 GIVE US IS TO SEND THEM TO MORE CAMPS AND MORE JAILS AND
3 FARTHER AWAY. AND IT'S LIKE, WHAT KIND OF SENSE DOES THAT
4 MAKE? IT'S LIKE, NOBODY FEELS THAT THEY EVEN PLAY A PART THAT
5 WHY THESE YOUTHS ARE IN THE CAMPS, ANYWAY. IT'S LIKE, YOU TAKE
6 AWAY OUR PARENTS' JOBS AND YOU SEND OUR FATHERS TO JAIL AND
7 THEN WE'RE OUT HERE JUST DOING LITTLE THINGS AND THEN YOU PUT
8 US IN JAIL FOR NOTHING, YOU KNOW, NONSEXUAL, NONVIOLENT CRIMES
9 LIKE THAT. AND IT'S LIKE WE ARE JUST YOUTH. AND EVERYBODY IN
10 HERE WAS A YOUTH ONCE THEMSELVES. AND IT'S LIKE IF YOU'VE
11 NEVER DONE ANYTHING WRONG THAT MIGHT SEND YOU TO JAIL, THEN
12 YOU HAVEN'T EVEN LIVED. AND YOU KNOW, EVERYBODY HAS DONE
13 SOMETHING WRONG ONCE UPON A TIME IN THEIR LIFE. AND IT'S LIKE
14 NOWADAYS IT'S ABOUT WHO YOU KNOW AND HOW MUCH YOUR TITHE IS
15 WHETHER YOU GO TO JAIL OR NOT. I DON'T THINK IT'S FAIR. I JUST
16 THINK THAT YOU GUYS SHOULDN'T SEND THE LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR
17 SAYING TO LET NEW YOUTH IN THESE JAILS. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JAYTON DAVIS.

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21 **JAYTON DAVIS:** HELLO MY NAME IS JAYTON DAVIS AND I'M
22 REPRESENTING THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. I BELIEVE THAT YOU
23 CAN'T REALLY EXIST IN THIS SOCIETY WITHOUT MONEY. SO TO PUT
24 THE YOUTH IN JAIL JUST BASED UPON THE REACTION TO POVERTY I
25 BELIEVE IS UNFAIR AND NOT LOGICAL BECAUSE WE'RE FACED WITH



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1 HARSH CONDITIONS EVERY DAY. AND YOU GUYS PUT SO MUCH MONEY
2 TOWARDS JAILS, IT SEEMS LIKE YOU ALL ONLY ALTERNATIVE OR
3 OPTION FOR THE YOUTH OR WHATEVER, SO I FEEL THAT'S JUST NOT
4 NECESSARY. AND THAT WE COULD USE THE MONEY FOR SOMETHING
5 CREATIVE AND EMPOWERING AND NOT TO JUST BRING PEOPLE DOWN AND
6 SOCIETIES AND PIN PEOPLE AGAINST EACH OTHER. AND I FEEL THAT -
7 - YEAH, THAT IS ALL.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, JAYTON. APPRECIATE IT.
10 BOBBY COOPER?

11

12 **BOBBY COOPER:** YES. I AGREE WITH THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. 100
13 PERCENT. BECAUSE MOST OF THEM THAT HAVE SUFFERED THESE
14 IMPROPRIETIES ARE MY PEOPLE, AFRICAN-AMERICANS. THESE -- I
15 BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN SOLVE THIS PROBLEM. THIS WHOLE PROBLEM
16 COULD BE SOLVED, ALL OF THESE AGENDAS, EVERYTHING THAT YOU
17 HAVE ON THESE AGENDAS, ITEMS CAN BE SOLVED WITH REGARDS TO THE
18 OPPOSITION THROUGH STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION OF OVERSIGHT.
19 BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T, THIS IS WHAT YOU GET, YOU HAVE
20 OPPOSITION. THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS: ANY TIME YOU GET A GROUP OF
21 PEOPLE THAT CAN CONTROL TELECOMMUNICATIONS, THESE PEOPLE
22 CONTROL TELECOMMUNICATIONS ON ME, JUST ME, ONE INDIVIDUAL, AND
23 THIS IS SOMEBODY STEALING FROM. FOR SEVEN YEARS. BUT THAT'S
24 NEITHER HERE NOR THERE, I'VE -- THE NEXT AGENDA. BUT, YES, I
25 AGREE 100 PERCENT. BUT UNLESS YOU PUT TOGETHER A PLAN TO ANY



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1 EXPENDITURES THAT THAT YOU ALLOCATE TO ANY PUBLIC OFFICIAL,
2 YOU PEOPLE ARE HUMAN BEINGS. YOU KNOW, AND WE ALL HAVE THAT
3 URGE TO GET UP, COME UP WITHOUT REALLY PAYING DUES. NO, YOU
4 NEED AN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION ON EVERY DIME THAT'S SPENT IN
5 THIS CITY THAT IS ALLOCATED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
6 ESPECIALLY, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. YOU HAVE YOUNG PEOPLE IN
7 HERE. YOU HAVE YOUNG PEOPLE IN WHAT IS THAT? CALL IT THE
8 SECRET SERVICE, 24, MAYBE 25 YEARS OLD THAT ARE NOT QUALIFIED
9 TO BE IN THAT AREA OF OUR COUNTRY'S SAFETY, HOMELAND SECURITY.
10 NOW I DON'T NEED TO SLANDER ANYBODY, BUT THAT'S JUST THE MAIN
11 TRUTH. -- THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. COOPER. WE HAVE THE
14 ITEM BEFORE US. THIS IS ITEM NO. 3. MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED
15 BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. CAN WE
16 TAKE UP ITEM 53-A? OKAY. STICK TO THE SAME TWO-MINUTE REGIMEN
17 BECAUSE WE HAVE QUITE A FEW PEOPLE THAT WANT TO BE HEARD ON
18 THIS. AND THEY'RE ALL IN FAVOR OF IT. AND MY SUGGESTION IS IF
19 YOU'RE IN FAVOR OF IT, BE BRIEF. BECAUSE I THINK THERE IS AN
20 INCLINATION TO TRY TO WORK THIS OUT. SO LET ME CALL FOUR
21 PEOPLE AT A TIME. BEN PHILLIPS, DAMIEN ARRULA, TARA BARAUSKAS,
22 AND JOE STALZER.

23

24 **BEN PHILLIPS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS BEN
25 PHILLIPS, I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT AND REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR



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1 MERCY HOUSING CALIFORNIA HERE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND I'D
2 ACTUALLY LIKE TO INTRODUCE DAMIEN FROM THE CITY OF EL MONTE TO
3 LEAD OFF ON THE PRESENTATION OF OUR PROJECT.

4

5 **DAMIEN ARRULA:** SURE. THANK YOU, MR. PHILLIPS. AND GOOD
6 MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I WILL MAKE
7 OUR COMMENTS BRIEF. ONE OF THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU FOR
8 CONSIDERATION IS THIS PROPOSAL FOR THE MERCY HOUSING PROJECT.
9 THIS PROJECT WAS THE TOP PROJECT THAT RECEIVED THE TOP SCORE
10 IN THE RECENT CITY OF INDUSTRY FUNDS SCORING PROCESS. WE
11 BELIEVE THIS IS AN EXCELLENT PROJECT. AT THE END OF THE DAY
12 WITH REGARDS TO THE LEGAL, TECHNICAL HURDLES, WHATNOT, BEFORE
13 YOU, ESSENTIALLY WE'RE ASKING FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEVERAGE
14 FUNDING. THIS PROJECT HAS THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE VETERANS
15 HOUSING FOR 41 HOMELESS VETERANS. 41 HOMELESS VETERANS THAT
16 ARE COMING BACK SERVING OUR COUNTRY, THE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING
17 OUR COUNTRY. AND THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY WHERE WE HAVE SEVERAL
18 HUNDRED, FEW HUNDRED THOUSAND COMING BACK AFTER MAKING THEIR
19 SERVICE AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE VOCATIONAL TRAINING
20 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR THEM. AND WE BELIEVE THIS IS AN
21 EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES. THIS IS ONE
22 OF THE FEW PROJECTS IN THE COUNTY THAT PROVIDES VETERANS
23 SERVICES AND 100 PERCENT VETERANS RELATED. SO WITH THAT SAID,
24 ALSO WE ALSO HAVE HANDOUTS FOR YOU WITH RESPECT TO THE
25 PROJECT. WE UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS OUT. WE HAVE



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1 APPROXIMATELY 15 COPIES HERE. THERE IS IN THAT HANDOUT, THERE
2 IS A COUPLE OF RENDERINGS OF THE PROJECT THAT THE CITY COUNCIL
3 FOR THE CITY OF EL MONTE HAS APPROVED. THE NEXT STEP IS WE'RE
4 GETTING READY TO SUBMIT TO T.C.E.C. AND AGAIN WE RESPECTFULLY
5 ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT BECAUSE THIS DOES SERVICE VETERANS COMING
6 BACK HOME THAT HAVE SERVED OUR COUNTRY. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT IS BEN PHILLIPS?

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10 **BEN PHILLIPS:** YEAH, THE ONLY THING I WOULD ADD TO MR. ARRULA'S
11 COMMENTS ARE THAT THIS IS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY
12 TO PLACE THESE HOMELESS HOUSING UNITS IN SERVICE VERY QUICKLY.
13 THE CURRENT UPHEAVAL IN THE REDEVELOPMENT ARENA HAS RENDERED A
14 NUMBER OF COMMUNITIES UNABLE TO PROCEED BECAUSE THEIR FUNDS
15 HAVE BEEN FROZEN. THE COUNTY IS IN A UNIQUE POSITION OF, A,
16 HAVING ACCESS TO THESE INDUSTRY FUNDS THAT ARE BY MOST LEGAL
17 OPINIONS NOT SUBJECT TO A.B.26 AND 27; AND, B, BEING THE
18 RECIPIENT OF A LARGE PORTION OF THE PASS-THROUGH FUNDS WHEN
19 THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES ARE LIQUIDATED. SO CLEARLY THE
20 COUNTY HAS THESE FUNDS AVAILABLE. AND THIS IS A UNIQUE
21 OPPORTUNITY TO QUICKLY GET THE UNITS PRODUCED. WE WOULD EXPECT
22 IF WE CAN GET TAX CREDITS ALLOCATED IN THIS ROUND THAT WE
23 WOULD BE UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON THIS DEVELOPMENT BEFORE THE END
24 OF THE YEAR, WHICH WILL PROVIDE A NUMBER OF GOOD PAYING



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1 CONSTRUCTION AND PERMANENT JOBS AS WELL AS OBVIOUSLY THE
2 IMPORTANT HOUSING RESOURCE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN'T GET MY MICROPHONE ON HERE.
5 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. DAMIEN ARRULA? YOU'RE DAMIEN, SORRY. TARA
6 BARAUSKAS.

7

8 **TARA BARAUSKAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TARA
9 BARAUSKAS, AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF A COMMUNITY OF FRIENDS.
10 WE'RE A NONPROFIT DEVELOPER OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
11 THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES CITY AND COUNTY. WE'RE HERE TODAY FIRST
12 OF ALL TO THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE CAUSE
13 OF HOMELESSNESS, WE REALLY DO APPRECIATE THAT. OUR MISSION IS
14 TO END HOMELESSNESS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF PERMANENT
15 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. AND WE'RE HERE TO ASK YOU TO SUPPORT THE
16 MOTION THAT SUPERVISORS MOLINA AND RIDLEY-THOMAS HAVE PUT
17 FORTH TO HOLD UP THE INDUSTRY FUNDS SO THAT WE CAN USE THEM
18 FOR THE SEVEN PROJECTS THAT ARE REQUESTING FUNDING. WE HAVE
19 TWO PROJECTS THAT ARE IN THAT MIX. AND ONE OF THEM IS A 55-
20 UNIT FAMILY PROJECT THAT WOULD BASICALLY BE PERMANENT
21 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES AND ALSO LOW INCOME
22 FAMILIES. AND THEN ANOTHER ONE THAT IS A 48-UNIT SUSTAINABLE
23 REHAB OF A BUILDING THAT WAS BUILT IN 1926, BOTH VERY
24 WORTHWHILE PROJECTS. THE CITY OF INDUSTRY FUNDS ARE REALLY
25 CRITICAL RIGHT NOW FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. AS YOU



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1 KNOW, A LOT OF THE FUNDING SOURCES HAVE GONE AWAY RECENTLY. SO
2 WE REALLY DO DEPEND ON THESE FUNDS. AND WE ASK FOR YOUR
3 SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LET ME, BEFORE MR.
6 STALZER SPEAKS, LET ME CALL DOWN SARAH WHITE, NEIL MCGUFFIN,
7 AND PAUL ZIMMERMAN. MR. STALZER?

8

9 **JOE STALZER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M JOE STALZER WITH AFFORDABLE
10 HOUSING C.D.C. AND I'M HERE TO REITERATE WHAT'S BEEN SAID ON
11 THE CITY OF INDUSTRY FUNDS THAT ARE BEING ALLOCATED FOR THESE
12 SEVEN PROJECTS. I WANT TO SPEAK BRIEFLY ABOUT THE 39 UNITS
13 THAT WE HAVE IN THIS CURRENT N.O.F.A. ROUND. IT WOULD SERVE
14 SENIORS. IT WOULD BE NEW CONSTRUCTION. AND A PORTION OF THIS
15 WOULD BE FOR HOMELESS AND FOLKS THAT ARE H.I.V. POSITIVE.
16 AFFORDABLE HOUSING HAS ABOUT 1000 UNITS IN THE STATE. MORE
17 RECENTLY, WE FINISHED SOME PROJECTS IN SOUTH L.A. THAT ALSO
18 SERVE HOMELESS AND FOLKS OUT OF PRISON. SO I WANT TO ALSO
19 REITERATE THE FACT THAT LEVERAGE IS KEY FOR ALL OF THESE FOLKS
20 THAT ARE IN THIS N.O.F.A. ROUND WITH CITY OF INDUSTRY FUNDS.
21 AS BEN HAD MENTIONED, FUNDING IS DRYING UP. AND A LOT OF OUR
22 FUNDING IS CONTINGENT, AND MULTIPLE LEVELS OF CONTINGENCY. SO
23 TIMING OF THIS I'M HOPING WILL BE VIEWED AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE
24 VOTE, SEEING THAT THESE FUNDS WILL EVENTUALLY COME TO THE
25 COUNTY AND LOOK FORWARD TO THESE PROJECTS. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SARAH WHITE?

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4 **SARAH WHITE:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
5 SARAH WHITE. I'M REPRESENTING CLIFFORD BEERS HOUSING. I WANTED
6 TO GIVE YOU A SNAPSHOT OF ONE OF THE SEVEN PROJECTS, OUR
7 PROJECT, THAT HAS A PENDING AWARD FROM THE CITY OF INDUSTRY.
8 IT'S A 30-UNIT NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECT TO BE LOCATED IN THE
9 WESTLAKE-MCARTHUR PARK NEIGHBORHOOD WITHIN THE FIRST DISTRICT.
10 THE PROJECT IS A FAMILY COMMUNITY AND IT WILL PROVIDE 15 UNITS
11 OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES WITH
12 SPECIAL NEEDS. AMANECER COMMUNITY COUNSELING SERVICES WILL BE
13 THE SERVICE PARTNER AND THEY'LL PROVIDE SERVICES TO TENANTS
14 DURING STABILIZED OPERATIONS. THE PROJECT WILL PROVIDE MUCH
15 NEEDED AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THIS LOW INCOME COMMUNITY WHERE
16 OVERCROWDING AND AGING DETERIORATED HOUSING CONDITIONS ARE
17 COMMON. THE VACANCY RATE FOR THE WESTLAKE-MCARTHUR PARK
18 NEIGHBORHOOD IS CURRENTLY ABOUT 3.5 PERCENT. MORE THAN 60
19 PERCENT OF THE COMMUNITY'S HOUSING WAS BUILT PRIOR TO 1970.
20 AND MORE THAN 60 PERCENT OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY PAYS OVER HALF
21 OF THEIR INCOME TOWARDS RENT. SO BURLINGTON FAMILY APARTMENTS
22 WILL PROVIDE A MUCH NEEDED CONTRIBUTION TO INCREASING THE
23 SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THAT COMMUNITY IN ADDITION TO
24 REDUCING HOMELESSNESS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. OVERALL, THE
25 SEVEN PROJECTS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED FOR FUNDING WILL



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1 PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY 321 CONSTRUCTION JOBS AND 185 JOBS
2 DURING STABILIZED OPERATIONS. ADDITIONALLY, THE CITY OF
3 INDUSTRY FUNDS WILL BE LEVERAGED BY APPROXIMATELY 87 MILLION
4 IN OTHER FUNDING SOURCES. SO IN CONCLUSION, I URGE YOU TO
5 SUPPORT THIS MOTION TO APPROVE THE CITY OF INDUSTRY FUNDS TO
6 ALLOW OUR PROJECTS TO MOVE FORWARD AND INCREASE THE NUMBER OF
7 UNITS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
8 IN THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEIL MCGUFFIN?

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12 **NEIL MCGUFFIN:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COUNTY
13 SUPERVISORS. I'M THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR THE CORPORATION'S
14 BOARD OF HOUSING LOS ANGELES OFFICE WITH NATIONAL INTERMEDIARY
15 WORKING TO END AND PREVENT HOMELESSNESS. THAT I WOULD LIKE TO
16 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ABOUT 11 MONTHS AGO WHEN YOU HAD
17 ADOPTED THE RESOLUTION FOR HOME FOR GOOD SUPPORT UNANIMOUSLY
18 THAT MOTION. AND I THINK THAT YOUR SUPPORT HAS BEEN VERY
19 VALUABLE AND HELPFUL. A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO IN THE NEW YORK
20 TIMES THERE WAS AN EDITORIAL COMMENDING THE COUNTY OF LOS
21 ANGELES FOR ITS WORK ON TRYING TO END HOMELESSNESS, WHICH IS A
22 VERY POSITIVE IN THE CITY THAT HAS BEEN CALLED THE CAPITAL OF
23 HOMELESSNESS. THAT HOME FOR GOOD HAS PROVIDED A FORUM TO
24 ENCAPSULATE AND TO CAPTURE ALL OF THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE
25 TOWARDS ENDING HOMELESSNESS THAT DURING THE SUMMER, THAT THE



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1 CORPORATION FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING HAD HOSTED A FORUM WITHOUT
2 HOUSING AUTHORITIES TALKING ABOUT ENDING HOMELESSNESS, THAT
3 THERE'S BEEN FUNDING FORUMS THAT HAVE BEEN MEETING ON A
4 REGULAR BASIS WITH THE COUNTY AND THE CITY AS WELL AS PRIVATE
5 FOUNDATIONS TRYING TO ALIGN RESOURCES AND MAKE THOSE MORE
6 EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT IN ENDING HOMELESSNESS. AND THAT WITH
7 THE LOSS OF THE REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS, THAT WHEN THE UNITED WAY
8 AND OTHER PARTNERS HAD DECIDED TO END HOMELESSNESS, THAT THAT
9 WASN'T SOMETHING THAT WAS EXPECTED. AND THAT WE WOULD HOPE
10 THAT THE SUPERVISORS WOULD BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THE MOTION THAT
11 HAS BEEN INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISORS THOMAS AND GLORIA MOLINA
12 AND THAT THIS WOULD BE ABLE TO BE PASSED AS WELL AS LOOK AT
13 OTHER RESOLUTIONS OR OTHER IDEAS TO CONTINUE SOME OF THE
14 HISTORIC FUNDING THAT HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE
15 COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACT. THANKS.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. ZIMMERMAN?

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19 **PAUL ZIMMERMAN:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU. I WANT TO URGE
20 THE SUPERVISORS ALSO TO SUPPORT THE MOTION. MY NAME IS PAUL
21 ZIMMERMAN. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN
22 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT HOUSING. AND YOU HAVE
23 LARGELY HEARD FROM MY COLLEAGUE MEMBERS THIS MORNING ABOUT
24 THEIR WONDERFUL PROJECTS. I WILL JUST QUICKLY KIND OF
25 EMPHASIZE THAT I THINK THIS RESOLUTION AND HOPEFULLY THE



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1 SUBSEQUENT VOTING OF THESE MONIES TO BACK STOP AND ENSURE THAT
2 THESE PROJECTS GO AHEAD IS BOTH ECONOMIC -- MAKES GOOD
3 ECONOMIC SENSE AND GOOD POLICY SENSE. IT WAS MENTIONED THAT
4 THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT PROJECTS WITH A TOTAL VALUE OF ABOUT
5 \$100 MILLION. AND SO THE LEVERAGING HERE IS 5 TO 1. WE'RE
6 BRINGING FIVE TIMES AS MUCH NEW RESOURCE AND MONEY INTO THE
7 COUNTY THAN WITH THE ADVANCE OF THESE MONIES. IT'S BEEN
8 MENTIONED THAT WE'RE ALSO TALKING ABOUT A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT
9 OF JOB CREATION, BOTH IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THESE PROJECTS
10 AND ONGOING JOBS AS THESE PROJECTS HAVE THIS VERY POSITIVE
11 IMPACT IN THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITIES. I WOULD ALSO -- I THINK A
12 GOOD WAY TO KIND OF END OUR COMMENTS IS TO MENTION AND
13 COMPLIMENT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ON HIS MOTION OF ABOUT A
14 MONTH AGO TO ASK THE C.D.C. TO GO BACK AND TRY AND COME UP
15 WITH NEW POLICIES AND NEW PROGRAMS IN THIS POST-REDEVELOPMENT
16 ERA. AND I THINK THIS REPRESENTS POTENTIALLY A BRIDGE TO THAT
17 NEW ERA, KIND OF AN ORDERLY RESPONSE TO THE ELIMINATION OF
18 REDEVELOPMENT, AND WOULD URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HELP
19 US, I GUESS, BRIDGE THIS PERIOD WITH THIS GUARANTEE. THANK
20 YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CHANNA GRACE? AND BOBBY
23 COOPER. MR. COOPER, YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE BECAUSE YOU
24 ALREADY SPOKE ON THE PREVIOUS ITEM. GO AHEAD, MR. COOPER. ONE
25 MINUTE.



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BOBBY COOPER: I'M COMPLETELY IN AGREEMENT WITH THIS STRATEGIC COMMISSION. WELL I CALL IT CAME UP WITH THAT, STRATEGIC COMMISSION ON WOMEN'S, HOMELESS WOMEN CHILDREN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES SKID ROW THAT YOU TAKE ACTION IMMEDIATELY. BUT EVEN IF YOU DID TAKE ACTION IMMEDIATELY, WHAT REALLY NEEDS ADDRESSING, YOU NEED THAT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION IN THERE BECAUSE ANY AND ALL FUNDS ALLOCATED TO ANY OF THESE PEOPLE THAT WORKS FOR THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND/OR LOS ANGELES COUNTY CITY GOVERNMENT IS TO BE, THERE HAS TO BE OVERSIGHT IN PLACE. CLASSIC EXAMPLE IS CITY HALL. I MEAN NOT CITY HALL, BUT RIGHT OUTSIDE THIS BUILDING. YOU KNOW, THE CONSTRUCTION THE BROWN CONSTRUCTION OF THIS PLACE, THOSE FUNDS ARE CLEAR YOU COULD SEE COULD HAVE BEEN USED IN THIS AREA.

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU, MR. COOPER. IS IT CHANNA OR HANNA? CHANNA GRACE.

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CHANNA GRACE: I'M CHANNA GRACE, THE PRESIDENT OF WOMEN ORGANIZING RESOURCES, KNOWLEDGE AND SERVICES, ONE OF THE SEVEN WHO ARE HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE VOTE IN APPROVAL OF THIS RECOMMENDATION. OUR PARTICULAR PROJECT IS EAGLE VISTA IN THE EAGLE ROCK AREA. IT'S 56 UNITS. IT'S SERVING PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, SOME WHO MAY BE HOMELESS. IT WOULD ALSO SERVE HOMELESS VETERANS, SMALL FAMILIES AND SENIORS WHO



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1 MAY OR MAY NOT BE HOMELESS. SO AS YOU CAN SEE, A NUMBER OF US
2 HAVE COME HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF AND PRODUCTION OF PERMANENT
3 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. AND DEFINITELY IN THIS ECONOMIC TIME WHEN
4 JOBS ARE SO NEEDED, BOTH CONSTRUCTION TEMPORARY JOBS AND
5 PERMANENT JOBS, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO SERIOUSLY
6 CONSIDER THE ACTION THAT YOU TAKE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF MAKING
7 SURE THAT CERTAIN FOLKS ARE NO LONGER HOMELESS, THEY HAVE A
8 DECENT, SAFE, SANITARY, QUALITY ABODE TO LIVE IN. SO PLEASE
9 ,WE ASK YOU TO FAVORABLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU VERY
10 MUCH.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MS. GRACE. WE HAVE ITEM
13 53-A BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES. LET
16 ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT THE ADVOCATES, THE ADMINISTRATORS, THE
17 DEVELOPERS, THE CLIENTS FROM WHICH WE HAVE HEARD HAVE ABLY
18 REPRESENTED THEMSELVES AND ADVOCATED UNANIMOUSLY FOR OUR
19 MOVING THIS ITEM FORWARD. THE ALLOCATION OF CITY OF INDUSTRY
20 FUNDS WOULD ESSENTIALLY CREATE-- THAT IS, TO HELP CREATE 219
21 NEW AFFORDABLE UNITS. MAY I REPEAT THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT
22 SUPPORT FOR THE MENTALLY ILL, THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS, THOSE
23 WHO ARE HOMELESS AND MENTALLY ILL, THOSE WHO ARE VETERANS AND
24 THOSE WHO ARE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED. AND SENIORS, IN MANY
25 INSTANCES, SENIORS LIVING WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S., THE ENTIRETY



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1 OF THOSE ARE HEREBY INCLUDED. THESE PROJECTS HAVE BEEN
2 THOROUGHLY VETTED, GONE THROUGH THE NECESSARY ENTITLEMENT
3 PROCESSES AND ARE RELYING ON LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDITS TO
4 BACKFILL THE REMAINING SHORTFALL. THERE WAS A UNANIMOUS VOTE
5 ON APRIL 19 OF LAST YEAR, HOME FOR GOOD, MANY OF US WILL
6 RECALL, WHERE WE ESSENTIALLY TALKED ABOUT WHAT WE WANTED TO
7 DO. THIS WILL ACTUALIZE THAT UNANIMOUS VOTE IN A VERY CONCRETE
8 WAY. AND SO APPROVAL OF THIS MOTION WILL DIRECT THE NAMED
9 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO DRAFT A LETTER THAT CAN BE HEARD AND
10 ACTED UPON BY THE BOARD NEXT WEEK; THAT IS, MARCH 20. AND
11 APPROVAL OF THE ACTION TODAY IS URGENT SO THAT THESE PROJECTS
12 MAY APPLY AND QUALIFY FOR TAX CREDITS BY MARCH 22. SO THIS IS
13 A HARD DEADLINE. IT'S A TIME-SENSITIVE MATTER. WE BELIEVE THAT
14 THERE IS A MECHANISM IN PLACE TO ACHIEVE THE DESIRED GOAL
15 WITHOUT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTING OUR COUNTY BUDGET. IT'S VERY
16 IMPORTANT, IT'S VERY TIMELY AND I TRUST WE CAN SEE OUR WAY TO
17 DO THIS AND SEND THE APPROPRIATE MESSAGE IN A VERY UNIQUE SET
18 OF CIRCUMSTANCES. NO PRECEDENT SHOULD BE INFERRED FROM THE
19 ACTION TODAY; BUT, IN FACT, WE RECOGNIZE THE NEED AND WE ARE
20 PREPARED TO MOVE FORWARD. AND IN THAT REGARD, MR. CHAIR, I SO
21 MOVE.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S MOVED. I'LL SECOND
24 IT. I WANT TO SPEAK TO THIS A LITTLE BIT. I'M GOING TO SUPPORT
25 THIS WITH 1 OR 2 CONDITIONS WHICH I THINK WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE



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1 TO THE MAKERS OF THE MOTION. I HOPE THEY WOULD BE. THIS IS A
2 VERY UNIQUE SITUATION, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE ALL
3 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS UNIQUE, THAT IT'S NOT SETTING A
4 PRECEDENT FOR ANY FUTURE N.O.F.A.S OR OTHER FUNDING PROPOSALS.
5 THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WAS IN THE PIPELINE LONG BEFORE WE GOT
6 INTO THIS CURRENT STATE OF AFFAIRS RELATING TO REDEVELOPMENT.
7 I WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR, AT LEAST SPEAKING FOR ME, AND I HOPE
8 THE BOARD AGREES, THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO MORE N.O.F.A.S
9 COMING OUT OF C.D.C. UNTIL THIS ISSUE OF THE HOUSING FUNDS ARE
10 RESOLVED SO WE KNOW WHAT WE'RE DOING GOING FORWARD BECAUSE I
11 DON'T WANT TO BE PUT IN THIS SITUATION AGAIN NINE MONTHS OR A
12 YEAR FROM NOW WHERE WE HAVE A BUNCH OF PEOPLE WHO RESPONDED TO
13 A N.O.F.A. IN GOOD FAITH AND THEN GOT THE RUG PULLED OUT FROM
14 UNDER THEM. THIS TIME IT'S DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND OUR
15 CONTROL. NEXT TIME IT WOULD BE OUR FAULT, AND I DON'T WANT TO
16 BE PUT IN THAT POSITION. SECOND, IN DISCUSSING THIS WITH THE
17 STAFF AND WITH THE C.E.O. YESTERDAY, HERE'S MY TAKE ON THIS:
18 ALLOWING THIS PARTICULAR N.O.F.A. TO GO FORWARD IS UNIQUE,
19 WILL NOT CREATE A PRECEDENT, AND WE HAVE A REASONABLY GOOD
20 CHANCE OF NEVER HAVING TO EXERCISE THE GUARANTEE THAT'S
21 INVOLVED HERE. THE INDUSTRY -- AND FOR THESE REASONS. THE
22 INDUSTRY FUNDS ARE, IN OUR JUDGMENT, AND ARE LISTED IN OUR
23 DOCUMENTS AS AN ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION. AND IT'S LISTED ON THE
24 ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY OF
25 INDUSTRY. THE INDUSTRY FUNDS WERE MADE PURSUANT TO A VALID,



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1 ENFORCEABLE AND NEARLY 20-YEAR OLD AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY
2 OF INDUSTRY AND OUR HOUSING AUTHORITY. THE AGREEMENT
3 IMPLEMENTS THE PROVISIONS OF SPECIALLY PASSED LEGISLATION
4 CODIFIED IN THE GOVERNMENT CODE, A PROVISION THAT WAS
5 UNCHANGED BY THE REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION BILL A.B.26 OR ANY
6 OTHER LEGISLATION. THE FUNDS USED IN THIS N.O.F.A. ARE
7 TRANSFERRED, AND TRANSFERRED TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY PURSUANT
8 TO THE AGREEMENT REPRESENT TAX INCREMENT GENERATED IN FISCAL
9 YEAR 2010 AND '11, AND THUS THEY REPRESENT FUNDS THAT WERE
10 GENERATED PRIOR TO THE DISSOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT
11 AGENCIES. AND FINALLY, THE FUNDS ARE HELD BY THE HOUSING
12 AUTHORITY AND NOT BY THE CITY OF INDUSTRY. AND FOR THAT REASON
13 THE ACCOUNT IS ARGUABLY NOT EVEN AFFECTED BY THE PROVISIONS OF
14 A.B.26. THE GENERAL FUNDS ARE NOT BEING USED AS A PRIMARY
15 SOURCE OF FUNDING. AND THIS GETS TO THE SECOND THING I WANT TO
16 ASK IS THAT IT BE USED AS A LAST RESORT. THE INDUSTRY FUNDS
17 SHOULD BE THE FIRST RESORT. TAX INCREMENT MONEY THAT WOULD
18 COME OUR WAY EVEN IF THE BILL, THE HOUSING, THE BILLS THAT
19 PROTECT THE HOUSING WERE TO FAIL, THAT WE WOULD GO NEXT TO THE
20 TAX INCREMENT FUNDS THAT WOULD COME OUR WAY AND ONLY USE THE
21 GENERAL FUND AS THE LAST RESORT. AND THERE IS A REASONABLE
22 EXPECTATION THAT WE WOULD -- THERE'S A REASONABLE EXPECTATION
23 THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO USE THE CITY OF INDUSTRY FUNDS. IF WE
24 CAN'T USE THAT FOR SOME UNANTICIPATED REASON, THEN WE'LL HAVE
25 TAX INCREMENT FUNDS COMING OUR WAY. AND IF THAT DOESN'T



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1 HAPPEN, THEN WE COULD GO TO THE GENERAL FUND LAST RESORT. SO
2 THOSE ARE -- SO I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE TWO THINGS. ONE IS THAT
3 WE DIRECT THE C.D.C. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NOT TO INITIATE ANY
4 FURTHER N.O.F.A.S THAT RELY ON CITY OF INDUSTRY FUNDS UNTIL
5 SUCH TIME AS THE ISSUE IS RESOLVED, BROUGHT BACK TO THE
6 SUPERVISORS FOR A FINAL DISPOSITION. AND SECONDLY, THAT THE
7 FUNDS THAT WOULD BE USED TO BACKSTOP THE CITY OF INDUSTRY
8 FUNDS SHOULD THEY NOT BECOME AVAILABLE WOULD BE IN THIS ORDER:
9 TAX INCREMENT MONEY, AND THEN GENERAL FUND. IS THAT AGREEABLE
10 TO YOU?

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I ACCEPT THOSE AS FRIENDLY AMENDMENTS AND
13 WOULD MOVE THE MATTER AS AMENDED.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. KNABE? THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** I SUPPORT THE AMENDMENT. HERE'S WHAT MY CONCERN
18 IS. I MEAN, WE CAN SAY WE WANT TO DO TAX INCREMENT, THE
19 REALITY IS THE ONLY WAY THAT IT IS GUARANTEED AND HAS SOME
20 IMPACT ON THOSE PROJECTS IS THE FACT THAT WE PUT UP GENERAL
21 FUND DOLLARS. I MEAN, THAT'S REALLY THE LAST RESORT. I MEAN,
22 IT'S AGAIN ONE OF THE FAILURES OF UNWINDING THE REDEVELOPMENT,
23 I CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT THAT THEY DIDN'T TAKE INTO
24 CONSIDERATION THE IMPACT. I MEAN, AS I TALK TO CITY MANAGERS
25 AND OTHER ELECTEDS, I MEAN THIS 20 PERCENT SET ASIDE, THE



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1 INDUSTRY FUNDS, INCREDIBLE IMPACTS ON -- WE ALL SIT UP HERE
2 AND TALK ABOUT HOUSING STOCK AND WE SAY WE WANT MORE, WE NEED
3 MORE. WE'VE GOT VETERANS ISSUES, WE'VE GOT MENTAL HEALTH
4 ISSUES, MENTALLY ILL ISSUES. BUT THE QUESTION THAT I'M GOING
5 TO ASK COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE C.E.O. IS: AT THE END OF THE
6 DAY, BY OUR WILLINGNESS TO PUT UP THIS COLLATERAL, WHAT WOULD
7 JUST STOP THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE ALL OF A SUDDEN JUST
8 SWEEPING THIS MONEY OUT FROM UNDERNEATH US? SAY WELL THE COUNT
9 CAN I DO THIS. WHAT GUARANTEES DO WE HAVE THAT THE FINANCE
10 DEPARTMENT, FORGET REDEVELOPMENT, JUST THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT
11 TAKE IT AWAY?

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13 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT
14 IS BECAUSE WE CANNOT STATE UNEQUIVOCALLY THAT THE INDUSTRY
15 FUNDS WILL BE AVAILABLE THAT THE TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION
16 COMMITTEE HAS SUGGESTED THAT IN ORDER TO CONSIDER TAX CREDITS
17 FOR THESE PROJECTS, WE NEED TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATIVE SOURCE
18 OF FUNDS. WE BELIEVE AND WE'VE ADVISED YOUR BOARD THAT THERE
19 ARE VERY STRONG ARGUMENTS THAT THE USE OF THE EXISTING
20 INDUSTRY FUNDS, THE MONEY THAT'S ALREADY IN THE ACCOUNTS OF
21 THE HOUSING AUTHORITY CAN LEGITIMATELY BE USED FOR MOST OF THE
22 REASONS THAT THE CHAIRMAN --

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** AS AN ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION?

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1 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** WELL, IT WAS IDENTIFIED AS AN
2 ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION BY THE CITY OF INDUSTRY. IT WAS
3 PROVIDED TO OUR HOUSING AUTHORITY UNDER A CONTRACT THAT IS
4 WARRANTED BY STATE LAW. SO WE BELIEVE FOR MOST OF THE REASONS
5 STATED BY THE CHAIRMAN THAT IN FACT THAT THESE FUNDS CAN BE
6 LEGALLY USED, BUT THE DECISION IS NOT ENTIRELY WITHIN YOUR
7 BOARD'S HANDS. THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE OR THE STATE CONTROLLER
8 MIGHT TAKE THE POSITION -- AND WE HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE
9 THAT THEY WILL, BUT WE CANNOT RULE OUT THAT THEY MAY TAKE THE
10 POSITION THAT THESE FUNDS ARE UNENCUMBERED AND THAT IT WAS AN
11 ASSET TRANSFER AND THAT THERE COULD BE A CLAIM THAT THOSE
12 SHOULD BE SENT BACK TO THE TAXING --

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THEN WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER OBLIGATIONS, THE OTHER
15 20 PERCENT SET ASIDE FOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN SOME OF OUR
16 CITIES THAT HAVE EXISTING PROJECTS THAT ARE READY TO ROLL, AS
17 WELL, IN A VERY SIMILAR SITUATION? I MEAN IF WE CAN ESTABLISH
18 THAT THE INDUSTRY FUNDS ARE PROTECTED, THEN CAN THESE OTHER 20
19 PERCENT SET-ASIDES BE PROTECTED?

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21 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** I THINK THE ANSWER WOULD BE ON A CASE-
22 BY-CASE BASIS. EACH ONE OF THOSE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN THE
23 DISSOLUTION PROCESS, IF THEY HAD ENCUMBERED THOSE FUNDS
24 LEGITIMATELY, THEN THEY WOULD PROBABLY SHOW UP ON THEIR
25 ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATIONS ON A GOING-FORWARD BASIS, IN WHICH



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1 CASE THEY WOULD PRESUMABLY BE ABLE TO SPEND THEM. IF THEY WERE
2 NOT ENCUMBERED, THEN DURING THE DISSOLUTION PROCESS WITH THE
3 OVERSIGHT BOARDS, THEN THOSE MONIES MAY BE RETURNED TO THE
4 TAXING AGENCIES.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** DOES THE PEREZ LEGISLATION PROTECT THE HOUSING
7 DOLLARS?

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9 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** 1585?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK IT'S 1585.

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13 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** 1585 WOULD PROVIDE THAT EXISTING FUNDS
14 AND LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING FUNDS COULD BE RETAINED BY
15 THE CITIES AND COUNTIES FOR USE FOR THOSE PURPOSES.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE THAT'S PART OF MY CONCERN. WE HAVE THE
18 DEBATE UP HERE, YOU KNOW, ON REDEVELOPMENT IN GENERAL AND
19 WHAT'S ENFORCEABLE AND WHAT'S NOT. I MEAN, I THINK IT PUTS US
20 IN A PRECARIOUS POSITION WHILE WE MAY BE UNITED ON THE HOUSING
21 DOLLARS, NOT ON OTHERS. AND WHEN WE START PICKING AND CHOOSING
22 ON THESE UNWINDS THAT I THINK IT PUTS US IN A VERY, VERY
23 DIFFICULT POSITION. BY APPROVING THIS MOTION, IS THIS
24 APPROVING ALL THE PROJECTS? OR DOES THIS COME BACK CASE-BY-
25 CASE?



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C.E.O. FUJIOKA: CASE-BY-CASE. I THINK WHAT WE HAVE TO FOCUS ON IS THE UNIQUE NATURE OF THIS PARTICULAR TRANSACTION AND HOW IT CAME TO US FROM THE CITY OF INDUSTRY TO OUR HOUSING AUTHORITY. WE WILL BE, YOU'RE RIGHT, AS WE GO FORWARD IN OUR ROLE ON A NUMBER OF THESE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEES, WE'LL SEE SITUATIONS THAT ARE SIMILAR BUT NOT IDENTICAL BECAUSE OF THE UNIQUE NATURE OF THIS PARTICULAR TRANSACTION. AND IT WILL BE WE'LL LOOK AT THEM AS WE'VE COMMITTED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE AN ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION OR WHETHER THEY ARE NOT.

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SUP. KNABE: WELL I MEAN, OUTSIDE OF THE ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION ON THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, I'M JUST TALKING ABOUT IN GENERAL AS THESE PROJECTS -- ARE WE SORT OF IN ESSENCE APPROVING EVERYTHING TODAY ON THAT COLLATERAL? OR IS THAT ALL GOING TO COME BACK ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS? SEE, I'M SORT OF CAUGHT IN BETWEEN IN THIS THING. I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY THE VETERANS PIECE, THE MENTALLY ILL PIECE SORT OF OVERRIDE, WHICH WOULD PUT ME IN A SUPPORT POSITION.

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RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL: I BELIEVE THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION IS THIS MOTION DIRECTS OUR OFFICES TO PREPARE LANGUAGE FOR A LETTER TO BE CONSIDERED BY YOUR BOARD NEXT WEEK THAT WOULD PROVIDE COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS OF SOME SORT AS AN ALTERNATIVE



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1 SOURCE OF FUNDS. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
2 WILL BE INCLUDING IN THEIR LETTER FOR NEXT WEEK
3 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF FUNDS FOR THE SIX OR SEVEN
4 PROJECTS. IN WHICH CASE ALL THOSE PROJECTS WOULD BE, IF YOUR
5 BOARD APPROVES, WOULD BE APPROVED NEXT WEEK. AND THOSE
6 PROJECTS WOULD THEN BE AUTHORIZED WITH THE COUNTY FUNDS AS AN
7 ALTERNATIVE SOURCE OF FUNDS WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE DEVELOPERS
8 TO APPLY TO T.C.A.C. TO OBTAIN TAX CREDITS AND TRY TO LEVERAGE
9 OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS SO THAT THEY CAN COMPLETE THEIR
10 PROJECTS. BUT THAT WOULD BE THE APPROVAL, NEXT WEEK, ALL SIX
11 OR SEVEN WOULD BE BEFORE YOUR BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THE ANSWER TO MR. KNABE'S
14 QUESTION ABOUT CASE-BY-CASE OR LUMP SUM?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** LUMP SUM.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OR WE'RE DOING IT ALL AT ONCE.

19

20 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** WITH RESPECT TO THE INDUSTRY PROJECTS,
21 YES.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE THE OTHER ISSUE THAT I HAVE IS IN THE
24 OVERSIGHT PIECE, AND WHERE SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND COMMUNITY
25 COLLEGE DISTRICTS ARE ALREADY SENDING LETTERS TO CITIES



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1 DEMANDING THAT THEY RELEASE THE FUNDS. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE
2 NEARLY AS SYMPATHETIC FOR AN ENCUMBERED OBLIGATION FOR HOUSING
3 IF IT'S GOING TO PUT MORE MONEY INTO THEIR SCHOOL DISTRICT. SO
4 THERE'S GOING TO BE A BATTLE WITH OVERSIGHT AND THAT'S THE
5 CONCERN I HAVE IN THIS WHOLE PIECE. I WILL SUPPORT IT TODAY TO
6 MOVE FORWARD FOR NEXT WEEK BUT I'M GOING TO LOOK AT THE LETTER
7 VERY, VERY CLOSELY, BECAUSE I STILL HAVE SOME GRAVE CONCERNS
8 WHERE I DISAGREE WITH MR. YAROSLAVSKY, AS I DO THINK IT'S
9 PRECEDENT SETTING.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? IS
12 THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, UNANIMOUS VOTE. THAT WAS ITEM 53-
13 A? WHAT DO WE HAVE LEFT? 26 AND 27? LET'S TAKE UP ITEM 26. WE
14 HAVE SIX PEOPLE TO BE HEARD. LET ME CALL UP FOUR OF THEM.
15 BRENT CHENEY, ROBERT HINDLE, STEVE RESNICK, STAN BOCHNIAK.
16 WE'LL GO BACK TO THREE MINUTES. MR. CHENEY?

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18 **BRENT CHENEY:** YES, SIR.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE UP.

21

22 **BRENT CHENEY:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. WE WANT TO
23 ADDRESS TWO ISSUES WITH ITEM NO. 26. WE HAVE TWO ISSUES
24 CONCERNING THIS PROPOSED CONTRACT. THE FIRST ISSUE DEALS WITH
25 WHETHER OR NOT THE CONTRACT ADEQUATELY PROTECTS THE COUNTY'S



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1 REVENUE STREAMS. THE SECOND ISSUE DEALS WITH THE BID PROCESS
2 AND WHETHER OR NOT THE COUNTY DID ENOUGH TO ENSURE THAT IT
3 RECEIVED THE MOST COMPETITIVE, RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE
4 PROPOSAL HERE. UNFORTUNATELY, WE STRONGLY BELIEVE THE ANSWER
5 TO BOTH THESE QUESTIONS IS NO. THE SUBJECT CONTRACT CONCERNS
6 33 PARKING LOTS STREWN OVER 26 MILES OF COASTLINE. THE PARKING
7 LOTS GENERATE MORE THAN \$7 MILLION IN CASH REVENUES FOR THE
8 COUNTY, AND THESE REVENUES COME MOSTLY IN SMALL BILLS. TO
9 ENSURE THAT IT PROTECTS THESE REVENUES, THE COUNTY NEEDS TO
10 KNOW THAT IT HAS CONTRACTED WITH AN ENTITY THAT CAN AND WILL
11 PROTECT ITS REVENUE STREAM. UNFORTUNATELY, THE PROPOSED
12 CONTRACT DOES NOT DO ENOUGH TO PROTECT THESE REVENUE STREAMS.
13 THE INCUMBENT OPERATOR, AS WELL AS THE OTHER MOST EXPERIENCED
14 OPERATORS THAT BID ON THIS PROPOSAL, ALL FELT THAT THEY NEEDED
15 TWO CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVES TO LOOK OVER THESE PARKING LOTS.
16 AND IN FACT, THEY ALL INCLUDED TWO CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVES IN
17 THEIR PROPOSAL AND WERE WILLING TO ABSORB THE COSTS OF THOSE
18 CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVES AS PART OF THEIR OVERHEAD. YET THE
19 CONTRACT ONLY INCLUDES ONE. AND THAT ONE PERSON JUST CANNOT
20 COVER 33 PARKING LOTS OVER 26 MILES. AND SO WE HAVE REAL
21 CONCERNS THAT THAT REVENUE STREAM, IT WILL NOT BE PROPERLY
22 PROTECTED HERE. THE SECOND ISSUE DEALS WITH THE R.F.P.
23 PROCESS. THE R.F.P. WAS CLEAR THAT THE CONTRACT MINIMUM
24 REQUIRED HOURS HAD TO BE FILLED WITH FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES.
25 EVERY PROPOSER THAT WE KNOW OF EXCEPT THE WINNING PROPOSER



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1 FULFILLED THOSE HOURS WITH FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES. THE WINNING
2 PROPOSER USED A MIXTURE OF FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME EMPLOYEES.
3 IF THE COUNTY WANTS TO ALLOW THAT MIXTURE, IT SHOULD OPEN THAT
4 UP AND GIVE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO EVERYBODY SO THAT WE CAN SEE
5 WHAT THE COST SAVING BENEFIT WOULD BE TO THE COUNTY USING THAT
6 MIXTURE OF PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES. THAT MIXTURE
7 GAVE THE WINNING PROPOSER A HUGE COST ADVANTAGE AND IT
8 COMPROMISED THE R.F.P. PROCESS AT THE SAME TIME.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WAS THERE ANYTHING IN THE R.F.P.
11 THAT PRECLUDED YOU FROM BIDDING WITH PART-TIME PEOPLE AS WELL
12 AS FULL-TIME PEOPLE?

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14 **BRENT CHENEY:** THE R.F.P. IN MULTIPLE PLACES SAID THAT THE
15 HOURS HAD TO BE FULFILLED WITH FULL-TIME PERSONNEL UNLESS
16 THERE WAS AN APPROVAL TO USE PART-TIME. EVERY BIDDER READ THAT
17 AS THERE'S NO WAY TO GET THAT APPROVAL UNTIL THE R.F.P. IS
18 AWARDED. AND IN FACT THE R.F.P., THE FORM ON PROVIDING THE
19 HOURS, HAD IN THE MINIMUM HOURS FILLED IN ON FULL-TIME
20 EMPLOYEES ON THE FORM. EVERYBODY ACCEPTED THOSE HOURS EXCEPT
21 THE WINNING BIDDER. HAD THEY DONE THAT --

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS STAFF GOING TO BE HERE? I JUST
24 WANT THEM, WHEN THEY'RE DONE, WHEN THE PUBLIC HEARING IS DONE,
25 I WANT TO HAVE SOME -- I'LL GIVE YOU SOME EXTRA TIME BECAUSE I



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1 CUT YOU OFF. BUT I WANT TO UNDERSTAND. IF YOU JUST TAKE NOTES
2 ON WHAT SOME OF THESE CRITICISMS ARE, THE PART-TIME AND THE
3 FIRST THING HE MENTIONED WHEN WE GET TO THE END OF IT, I WANT
4 YOU TO RESPOND TO THESE. GO AHEAD. YOU HAVE ABOUT 45 SECONDS
5 THERE.

6

7 **BRENT CHENEY:** SO THE COST SAVING MEASURES THAT THE WINNING
8 PROPOSER DID CAME FROM THE USE OF THOSE PART-TIME EMPLOYEES,
9 WHICH DON'T INCLUDE MEDICAL BENEFITS THROUGH THE UNION, DON'T
10 INCLUDE A LOT OF OTHER ISSUES. AND THAT WAS THEIR PRIMARY
11 BASIS OF COST SAVING. THAT COST SAVING SHOULD HAVE BEEN
12 OFFERED TO EVERYBODY SO THAT EVERYBODY IS BIDDING ON AN EQUAL
13 BASIS SO THE COUNTY KNOWS THAT THEY'RE GETTING THE MOST
14 COMPETITIVE, RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BID. IT DIDN'T HAPPEN
15 HERE. SO THOSE ARE OUR TWO MAIN CONCERNS. AND WE BELIEVE THAT
16 IF THE COUNTY SHOULD PUT THIS OUT FOR BID AGAIN, REQUIRE TWO
17 CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVES TO PROTECT THE REVENUE STREAM, AND IF
18 THEY WANT TO ALLOW THIS MIXTURE OF PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME,
19 THAT'S FINE. BUT THEY SHOULD LET EVERY PROPOSER BID ON THAT
20 BASIS. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ROBERT?

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24 **ROBERT HINDLE:** YES, GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISOR, MY
25 NAME IS ROBERT HINDLE, I'M VICE PRESIDENT OF PARKING CONCEPTS,



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1 YOUR CURRENT INCUMBENT OPERATOR. WE'VE BEEN OPERATING THIS
2 CONTRACT FOR APPROXIMATELY 11-PLUS YEARS CONTINUALLY. THE ONE
3 THING I WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE, WE DID PROTEST AND APPEAL THE
4 AWARD. WE'VE GONE THROUGH THE PROCESS. WE ACTUALLY HAD SIX
5 ITEMS THAT WE WERE CONTESTING. BUT TO BOIL IT DOWN BASICALLY
6 TO ONE, IT IS THIS ALLOWING OF ONE BIDDER TO SUBMIT A PRICE
7 PROPOSAL BASED ON DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES, DIFFERENT
8 CONDITIONS THAN ALL OTHER PROPOSERS. THE R.F.P. IS EXPLICIT IN
9 STATING IN MORE THAN ONE PLACE: YOU MUST USE FULL-TIME
10 EMPLOYEES TO FULFILL THE STAFFING SCHEDULE OF EXHIBIT 4. VERY
11 CLEAR. IT'S IN MULTIPLE PLACES. SOME PLACES IT'S BOLD PRINT.
12 THE PRICE PROPOSAL FORM HAD THE STAFFING HOURS PRINTED IN THAT
13 FORM THAT TIED BACK TO THAT STAFFING SCHEDULE. THERE WAS NO
14 CONFUSION ABOUT WHAT WAS ALLOWED. AND EVERY PROPOSER, EXCEPT
15 THE RECOMMENDED COMPANY, SUBMITTED BASED ON FULL-TIME
16 EMPLOYEES. THE PROPOSED OPERATOR REDUCED THAT FULL-TIME
17 STAFFING DOWN TO 80 PERCENT AND BACKFILLED WITH 20 PERCENT
18 PART-TIME. IT MADE A SUBSTANTIAL COST DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN, I
19 KNOW IN OUR PROPOSAL, AND I ASSUME IN THE OTHERS. IT'S OBVIOUS
20 THAT PART-TIME PEOPLE COST SIGNIFICANTLY LESS. THE PURPOSE OF
21 DOING THAT IS TO AVOID THE MEDICAL BENEFITS AND SOME OF THE
22 OTHER BENEFITS THAT ARE ENCLOSED IN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
23 AGREEMENT THAT ALL THESE EMPLOYEES WORK UNDER. ALSO FROM
24 REVIEWING THE RECOMMENDED COMPANY'S PROPOSAL, THEY HAVE NO
25 ADDITIONAL STAFFING HOURS ALLOCATED FOR RELIEF PERSONNEL,



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1 WHICH IS REQUIRED. THE OPERATOR MUST PROVIDE THESE EMPLOYEES
2 WITH LUNCH AND REST PERIOD BREAKS. AND IT'S NOT A BILLABLE,
3 THEY ARE NOT BILLABLE HOURS. THEY ARE PURE OVERHEAD. WE HAD
4 SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL HOURS FOR THAT PURPOSE. IT'S REQUIRED
5 BY LAW. THE EMPLOYEES CANNOT WAIVE THEIR BREAKS. THEY HAVE TO
6 BE GIVEN BOTH REST PERIOD AND LUNCH BREAKS. AND THEY CANNOT BE
7 GIVEN BY SUPERVISORS, THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT
8 PROHIBITS THAT. THE RECOMMENDED OPERATOR HAS NOT A SINGLE
9 ADDITIONAL HOUR FACTORED INTO THEIR PROPOSAL TO COVER THOSE
10 COSTS. AND I THINK THE PRICE THAT THEY PROPOSED IS NOT
11 REALISTIC. AND I KNOW THE PRICE IS THE PRICE, BUT IT'S GOING
12 TO BE AN OPERATION THAT WILL FAIL. AND IT'S GOING TO BE AT THE
13 EXPENSE OF THE COUNTY AND THE SERVICE OUT THERE. I'M SORRY.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE BEGUN TO REPEAT YOURSELF.
16 I THINK YOU'VE MADE YOUR POINT, AS DID YOUR COLLEAGUE A MOMENT
17 AGO.

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19 **ROBERT HINDLE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. STEVE RESNICK.

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23 **STEVE RESNICK:** HI THERE. MY NAME IS STEVE RESNICK. I'M A VICE
24 PRESIDENT OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FOR STANDARD PARKING
25 CORPORATION. WE OPERATE APPROXIMATELY 2200 LOCATIONS IN 335



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1 CITIES, HAVE ROUGHLY 100 MUNICIPAL AGENCIES AS OUR CLIENTS. I
2 GOT MY START IN THE PARKING BUSINESS RUNNING ALL THE BEACH AND
3 PIER PARKING FOR THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA, THAT WAS ABOUT 17
4 YEARS AGO, A MUCH SMALLER STRETCH OF COASTLINE. I'M GOING TO
5 MIRROR THE COMMENTS OF MR. HINDLE AND HIS ASSOCIATE THERE. WE
6 CLEARLY BID THIS BASED ON FULL-TIME LABOR PER THE INSTRUCTIONS
7 OF THE R.F.P. WE RESPOND TO THESE ALL THE TIME. AND CANDIDLY,
8 IT CREATED A REMARKABLE COST DISPARITY IN OUR PROPOSAL VERSUS
9 THAT OF SOME OF THE OTHERS, AND PARTICULARLY MODERN, I THINK
10 THE DISPARITY WAS OVER \$500,000. AND IRONICALLY ENOUGH WE WERE
11 ALL BIDDING TO THE SAME STAFFING SCHEDULE AND THE SAME UNION
12 LABOR RATES. SO THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. RESNICK. STAN
15 BOCHNIAK.

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17 **STAN BOCHNIAK:** YES, STAN BOCHNIAK, I'M THE REGIONAL MANAGER
18 FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL MARKETING DIRECTOR FOR LOS
19 ANGELES FOR AMPCO SYSTEM PARKING. WE'RE A LARGE PARKING
20 COMPANY BASED HERE IN LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE 2200 LOCATIONS
21 ACROSS THE COUNTRY, AS WELL. WE BID ON MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS ALL
22 THE TIME, AS WELL. I ECHO AND AGREE WITH WHAT'S STATED UP
23 HERE, THAT THAT WAS CLEAR THAT IT WAS FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES THAT
24 YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO BE USING AND THAT BY USING PART-TIME
25 EMPLOYEES GIVES YOU AN UNFAIR COST ADVANTAGE OVER EVERYONE



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1 ELSE. SO THEY DIDN'T FOLLOW EXACTLY WHAT WAS STATED IN THE
2 R.F.P. TO ME IT WAS VERY CLEAR. WE'VE BID MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS
3 MANY TIMES, AS HAS STANDARD AND HAS P.C.I. WE ALSO OPERATED
4 THE BEACHES MANY YEARS AGO, AS WELL. SO IT WAS VERY CLEAR TO
5 US. AND I THINK THAT IT'S INTERESTING THAT EVERYBODY ELSE KIND
6 OF FELL WITHIN THE SAME RANGE. AND BECAUSE THE LARGE MAJORITY
7 OF THE COST IS PAYROLL OUT THERE, WHICH IS ALSO 40 PERCENT OF
8 THE VALUATION OF THE OVERALL R.F.P., WE ALL FELL IN THE SAME
9 RANGE WITH THE SELECTED OPERATOR BEING SUBSTANTIALLY CHEAPER
10 BECAUSE THEY DID NOT FOLLOW THE R.F.P. AS STATED. AND IT'S
11 UNUSUAL ALSO THAT SO MANY DIFFERENT OPERATORS WHO ARE
12 COMPETITORS GET TOGETHER AND FEEL THIS STRONGLY ABOUT IT TO
13 COME AND SPEAK ON THIS BEHALF. SO WE AGREE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, IT'S NOT THAT USUAL FOR
16 EVERYBODY WHO LOSES TO JOIN UP AND GANG UP ON THE GUY THAT
17 WINS, ISN'T IT?

18

19 **STAN BOCHNIAK:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WE WERE THE MOST
20 EXPENSIVE. EVEN IF IT WAS SOMETHING WE WOULD HAVE BEEN MOST
21 EXPENSIVE. AT THE END OF THE DAY, I COULD HAVE SAID I DON'T
22 REALLY CARE, I WOULD HAVE BEEN THE MOST EXPENSIVE, ANYWAY. BUT
23 WE FEEL THAT STRONGLY ABOUT IT THAT IT WASN'T FAIRLY FOLLOWED
24 THROUGH. IF I WAS STILL THE MOST EXPENSIVE, SO BE IT. THAT'S
25 WHERE THE CHIPS FALL. BUT THAT'S NOT THE CASE HERE. THE CASE



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1 IS THAT WE ALL FOLLOWED ONE WAY AND ONE PERSON WHO WAS AWARDED
2 WENT ANOTHER WAY.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU MR.
5 BOCHNIAK. JOHN NAHHAS HAS AND GARY PITTS.

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7 **JOHN NAHHAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JOHN
8 NAHHAS, I'M WITH THE BOATING COALITION OF MARINA DEL REY. THIS
9 CONTRACT THAT IS GOING TO BE REWARDED ACTUALLY HAS A LOT OF
10 DIFFERENT PROBLEMS WITH IT. FIRST OF ALL, THE COUNTY TAXPAYERS
11 SPENT A LOT OF MONEY LOOKING AT THE PARKING LOTS IN MARINA DEL
12 REY. RAJU AND ASSOCIATES HAVE FOUND THAT THE PARKING LOTS ARE
13 NOT BEING UTILIZED. TO SPEND 1.5 MILLION ON ADMINISTERING
14 PARKING LOTS THAT ARE EMPTY JUST SMELLS BAD. AND WE WANT TO BE
15 ABLE TO HAVE THESE PARKING LOTS, OF COURSE, UTILIZED A LITTLE
16 BIT MORE, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE MORE RECREATION PROGRAMS. BUT
17 THAT'S NOT BEING DONE. AND THAT'S CERTAINLY NOT INVOLVED IN
18 THE STAFF REPORT HERE. THE FACT IS THERE WERE PROTESTS THAT
19 THE PREVIOUS SPEAKERS HAVE TALKED ABOUT ALSO IS A PROBLEM. THE
20 FACT THAT THERE ARE NUMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN SKEWED AND THAT ARE
21 NOT PART OF THIS R.F.P. IS TROUBLING. AND OF COURSE THERE'S
22 ANOTHER FACTOR WHICH THESE GENTLEMEN CAN'T SPEAK ABOUT BECAUSE
23 THEY'RE INVOLVED IN THE R.F.P., BUT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN,
24 AND THAT IS THAT MR. KNABE'S SON IS INVOLVED AS A CONSULTANT
25 FOR THE WINNING CONTRACTOR IN THIS PROJECT. NOW, WE HAVE



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1 SPOKEN ABOUT THIS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, OR THIS HAS BEEN
2 SPOKEN ABOUT AT THIS BOARD. WHEN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES WRITES
3 AN ARTICLE THAT THE LOS ANGELES AREA IS THE SECOND MOST
4 CORRUPT CITY/COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES AND ONE OF OUR
5 SUPERVISOR'S SON IS GETTING WINNING CONTRACTS FROM THE COUNTY,
6 EVEN IF THERE IS NO CONFLICT, EVEN IF THIS IS SOMEHOW ON THE
7 UP AND UP, IT SMELLS BAD. THIS CAN BE AVOIDED IF MR. KNABE, AS
8 YOU'RE RUNNING FOR RE-ELECTION, IF YOUR WIFE, IF YOUR SON, IF
9 ALL OF YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS ARE INVOLVED IN COUNTY CONTRACTS,
10 IT JUST SMELLS BAD. AND THIS IS WHY WE NEED AN ETHICS
11 COMMISSION IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS IS WHY WE NEED A
12 SUNSHINE COMMISSION AND SUNSHINE ORDINANCES. BECAUSE THESE
13 KIND OF THINGS, EVEN ON THE APPEARANCE, CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO
14 HAPPEN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IF WE'RE GOING TO DO A BETTER
15 JOB, IF WE'RE GOING TO SOMEHOW DISPEL THE MYTH THAT WE ARE THE
16 MOST CORRUPT OR SECOND MOST CORRUPT CITY AND COUNTY IN THE
17 UNITED STATES, THEN LET'S GET THE FAMILIES OUT OF THE BUSINESS
18 OF GETTING COUNTY CONTRACTS OR BEING CONSULTANTS OR LOBBYISTS
19 IN THESE CONTRACTS. AND GOING FORWARD --

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU CAN ADDRESS YOUR COMMENTS TO ME. YOU DON'T
22 HAVE TO BRING MY FAMILY INTO IT, THANK YOU.

23

24 **JOHN NAHHAS:** AND GOING FORWARD IF ANY OTHER REELECTED
25 OFFICIALS WANT TO PUT THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS ON COMMISSIONS OR



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1 BOARDS OR GET INVOLVED IN ANY OTHER CONTRACTS, LET'S PROVIDE
2 SOME KIND OF ORDINANCES THAT DISALLOW THAT FROM HAPPENING. YOU
3 ARE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THAT'S THE END OF IT.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. PITTS?

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7 **GARY PITTS:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
8 GARY PITTS. I SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF MODERN
9 PARKING. WE ARE HONORED TO BE HERE AND TO BE RECOMMENDED BY
10 THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS TO PROVIDE PARKING
11 MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE 33 BEACH AND HARBOR PARKING LOTS.
12 MODERN PARKING WAS FORMED IN 1994 AND HAS GROWN TO BE A
13 PREMIER PARKING AND MANAGEMENT FIRM IN LOS ANGELES. WE ARE A
14 PRIVATE MINORITY-OWNED LOCALLY-BASED BUSINESS AND CURRENTLY
15 MANAGE OVER 150 FACILITIES PRIMARILY WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS
16 ANGELES. M.P.I. IS EXPERIENCED IN THE OPERATION OF
17 MUNICIPALITY, MULTI-FACILITY CONTRACTS AND IS CURRENTLY
18 SERVING AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITIES OF GLENDALE, PASADENA AND
19 CULVER CITY. WE ALSO PERFORM SERVICES FOR OTHER PUBLIC
20 ENTITIES SUCH AS LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT,
21 L.A.C.C.D. AND PREVIOUSLY FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HOUSING
22 AUTHORITY. WE ARE SKILLED IN THE MANAGEMENT OF FAST-PACED
23 ENVIRONMENTS, INCLUDING SEASONAL DEMAND FLUCTUATIONS LIKE
24 THOSE OCCURRING IN THE COASTAL PARKING LOTS. OUR
25 QUALIFICATIONS TO OPERATE THESE LOTS ARE NUMEROUS. AND WE ARE



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1 PREPARED TO PROVIDE TRAINED STAFF MEMBERS TO ASSIST CUSTOMERS
2 TO MEET ALL LEVELS OF PARKING DEMAND. OUR QUALIFICATIONS
3 INCLUDE OTHER SERVICE APPLICATIONS, SUCH AS VALET PARKING,
4 ENFORCEMENT AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AS WELL AS WORKING WITH ALL
5 MAJOR PARKING CONTROL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS. M.P.I.'S
6 REVENUE CONTROL PLAN INCLUDES DETAILED PROCEDURE TRAINING,
7 REGULAR SURPRISE AUDITS AND CASH COUNTS, UNANNOUNCED
8 SUPERVISOR AUDITING OF THE FACILITIES. WE PROVIDE A
9 TRANSPARENT TRAIL OF OVERSIGHT AND DOCUMENTATION FOR REVENUE
10 COLLECTIONS THAT START AT THE LOT AND FINISHED WITH ARMED
11 TRANSPORTATION TO THE PROPER BANK. ADDITIONALLY AS OUR CASH
12 REVENUE CONTROL PLAN, WE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COUNTY
13 REQUIREMENTS, M.P.I. IS PREPARED TO REPLACE THE CURRENT HAND-
14 HELD POINT OF SALE UNITS OF 25 NEW WIRELESS HAND-HELD UNITS
15 THAT WILL PROVIDE CUSTOMERS WITH CREDIT CARD APPLICATIONS AND
16 CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS. THESE UNITS WILL ALSO PROVIDE A NEW
17 APPLICATION FOR MONITORING PAYMENTS AND COLLECTION WIRELESS.
18 IT IS OUR GOAL TO INCREASE REVENUES FOR THE COUNTY. M.P.I.
19 REGULARLY COORDINATES WITH FILM AND PRINT PRODUCTION
20 COMPANIES. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO EXPANDING OUR LONG-STANDING
21 RELATIONSHIPS WHICH WOULD INCLUDE COASTAL PRODUCTION. WE ARE
22 ALSO EAGER TO REVIEW STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND
23 SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMS IN ALIGNMENT WITH COUNTY OBJECTIVES.
24 THESE OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE PREPAID PASSES, RIDE-SHARE
25 PROGRAMS, RESERVE PARKING, RENTAL CAR ACCESS, SUCH AS ZIP CAR



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1 PROGRAM. M.P.I. WILL ALSO REVIEW IDEAS FOR NEW SIGNAGE, WAY-
2 FINDING ASSISTANCE, THE EXPANSION OF TECHNOLOGY. INCREASING
3 OCCUPANCY WHILE DELIVERING QUALITY SERVICE IS OUR FOCUS AND WE
4 WILL COORDINATE WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS AND ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES
5 TO COORDINATE PARKING ACCESS ON PEAK DAYS. WE APPRECIATE THE
6 OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE OUR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND
7 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST APPROVAL OF OUR AGREEMENT TO ENTER INTO
8 SERVICE. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. KRIEMANN, CAN YOU
11 ADDRESS FIRST THE ISSUE OF PART-TIME VERSUS FULL-TIME?

12

13 **SANTOS KRIEMANN:** SURE. PART-TIME VERSUS FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES.
14 THE USE OF PART-TIME, JUST LET ME JUST SAY THAT THE USE OF
15 PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES WAS COMPLETELY VETTED BY THE
16 COUNTY REVIEW PANEL THAT WAS CONVENED AT THE REQUEST OF P.C.I.
17 THE PANEL, AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSIONS DURING WHICH P.C.I. HAD
18 THE OPPORTUNITY TO ARGUE THEIR ASSERTIONS, FOUND IN FAVOR OF
19 THE DEPARTMENT. IN TERMS OF THE R.F.P. AND WHETHER OR NOT
20 THERE WAS SOME AMBIGUITY, THE R.F.P. STATES VERY CLEARLY THAT
21 THE PROPOSER MUST SUBMIT A STAFFING PLAN THAT IS COMPRISED OF
22 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES UNLESS THE CONTRACTOR CAN DEMONSTRATE TO
23 THE COUNTY THE NECESSITY OF PART-TIME STAFF. NOW, IRONICALLY
24 THERE WERE TWO PROPOSERS THAT ACTUALLY PROVIDED FOR PART-TIME
25 STAFFING. THE WINNING BIDDER, M.P.I., MODERN PARKING, AS WELL



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1 AS P.C.I. AND THEY MADE SPECIFIC INDICATIONS IN THEIR PROPOSAL
2 THAT THEY UNDERSTOOD, AS A RESULT OF THEIR LONG HISTORY OF
3 MANAGING THESE PARKING LOTS, THAT THERE WOULD BE A COMPONENT
4 OF FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME EMPLOYEES. UNFORTUNATELY, WHEN THEY
5 SUBMITTED THEIR FORM, THEY DID NOT IDENTIFY IT THAT WAY. THEY
6 COMPLETELY USE ALL FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES. IT WAS VERY SPECIFIC
7 IN THE R.F.P. THAT PART-TIME CAN BE USED. M.P.I. AS WELL AS
8 P.C.I. USED PORTIONS OF IT. IRONICALLY, IT WAS BOTH AN 80
9 PERCENT FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE VERSUS A 20 PERCENT PART-TIME
10 EMPLOYEE SPLIT. THE OTHER ISSUE THAT THEY BROUGHT UP HAD TO DO
11 WITH HAD TO DO WITH THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT. HE
12 MADE SOME ASSERTIONS, MR. HINDLE MADE SOME ASSERTIONS THAT THE
13 COST THAT WAS PROVIDED BY M.P.I. WOULD ELIMINATE THE COST OF
14 BENEFITS TO THE EMPLOYEES. THAT'S JUST NOT THE CASE. THE
15 COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNION STATES SPECIFICALLY
16 THAT PART-TIME EMPLOYEES ALSO RECEIVE BENEFITS AT A PRORATED
17 SHARE. THAT WAS ONE OF THE ISSUES. AND ALL OF THE APPLICANTS
18 WERE EXEMPT FROM THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE. SO THE OTHER ISSUE
19 THAT WAS RAISED HAS TO DO WITH THE CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVES,
20 NUMBER OF HOURS, WHETHER OR NOT THERE'S APPROPRIATE
21 SUPERVISION. THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN MANAGING THESE PARTICULAR
22 PARKING LOTS FOR A VERY, VERY LONG TIME. WE'VE HAD THE BENEFIT
23 OF WORKING WITH MR. HINDLE AND HIS STAFF OVER THE LAST 14
24 YEARS OR SO. WHEN WE IDENTIFIED THE NUMBER OF STAFFING HOURS
25 THAT WERE NEEDED, IT WAS BASED ON OUR HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE



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1 WITH MR. HINDLE AND HIS STAFF. RIGHT NOW THE WAY IT WORKS, WE
2 DO HAVE ONE CONTRACT OPERATOR THAT WORKS FROM SUNDAY THROUGH
3 THURSDAY, WORKS AN EIGHT-HOUR SHIFT. AND HE IS AVAILABLE BY
4 TELEPHONE IN THE EVENT THAT THERE IS AN EMERGENCY OR SOMETHING
5 NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED WHEN HE IS NOT ON THE CLOCK. AND SO THE
6 NUMBER OF HOURS THAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED FOR SUPERVISION FOR
7 ATTENDANT STAFF IS CONSISTENT WITH THE EXISTING STAFFING
8 LEVELS NOW. WE'VE ACTUALLY TAKEN A LOOK AT THE STAFFING LEVELS
9 AND HAVE MODIFIED THEM SLIGHTLY IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY SOME
10 PARKING LOTS THAT NO LONGER NEED TO BE OPENED UNTIL 10:00 IN
11 THE EVENING. WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF INSTALLING NEW PARKING
12 EQUIPMENT, AS WELL, THAT WILL HELP WITH THE PARKING LOTS NOT
13 BEING ATTENDED. AND SO WE BELIEVE THAT THE STAFFING LEVELS
14 THAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED WERE APPROPRIATE. THE OTHER ISSUE THAT
15 I'D LIKE TO BRING OUT IS TO THE EXTENT THAT THERE IS A NEED
16 FOR ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORS TO COME AND MANAGE THAT PARTICULAR
17 CONTRACT, WE DO HAVE A PROVISION IN THE CONTRACT THAT ALLOWS
18 THE DIRECTOR TO INCREASE BY 10 PERCENT AND ADJUST THE STAFFING
19 LEVELS AS NEEDED. AND SO WE BELIEVE THAT THE CONTRACT IS A
20 GOOD CONTRACT FOR THE COUNTY. IT PROVIDES A SIGNIFICANT COST
21 SAVINGS OVER OUR EXISTING OPERATIONS. WE BELIEVE THAT WE'VE
22 TAKEN ALL THE FAT OUT OF OUR EXISTING STAFFING PLAN. THE
23 R.F.P. PROCESS THAT MY STAFF FOLLOWED, I WANT TO COMMEND MY
24 STAFF. I THINK THEY DID A GREAT JOB. THEY WENT THROUGH THE
25 REVIEW PANEL. THE REVIEW PANEL ALSO SAID "JOB WELL DONE" BUT



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1 PLEASE MOVE IT FORWARD. AND SO WE STAND BY OUR RECOMMENDATION.
2 IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS, I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER
3 THEM.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? OKAY.
6 YOU'VE ANSWERED MY QUESTIONS. IS THERE A MOTION? MOVED BY
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
8 UNANIMOUS VOTE TO APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS. ITEM 27?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHILE THEY ARE COMING UP. I REMOVE MY HOLD ON
11 5, AND MOVE THAT.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM 5 IS MOVED BY
14 ANTONOVICH. I'LL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
15 WE'RE ON ITEM 27 AT THIS POINT, YEAH. THIS IS THE ARCADIA
16 TENNIS CENTER. WE'LL GO BACK TO THE TWO MINUTES BECAUSE WE
17 HAVE QUITE A FEW PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS. I'M
18 GOING TO CALL FOUR PEOPLE UP. LAN QUACH. CHIALING CHEN.
19 RUSSELL MILLER AND DENNIS KENNEDY. WHO IS LAN QUACH? YOU'LL BE
20 FIRST -- SURE. YOU WANT TO BE THE LAST OF THE FOUR? OKAY.
21 CHIALING CHEN, YOU'RE UP.

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23 **CHIALING CHEN:** MY NAME IS CHIALING CHEN AND I AM ONE OF THE
24 PARENTS OF RUSTY STUDENTS. AND MY SON TRANSFERRED FROM ITENNIS
25 TO RUSTY JUST ABOUT NINE MONTHS AGO. MY SON STAY AT ITENNIS



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1 FOR THREE YEARS. AND I DON'T WANT TO BOAST ABOUT HOW MUCH MY
2 SON IMPROVED AT RUSTY'S ACADEMY, BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT
3 HE DOES HAVE THE HEART FOR TENNIS IN THE POINT THAT MY SON
4 NOWADAYS COMES HOME, TELL ME ALL ABOUT WHAT RUSTY TOLD HIM TO
5 DO IN A WAY THAT RUSTY KNOWS EVERYTHING AND HIS PARENTS DON'T
6 KNOW ANYTHING. AND ONE DAY RUSTY EVEN MAKE THE COMMENT TO ME,
7 WANT ME TO MAKE SURE THAT MY SON BRING HIS OLD PAIR OF SHOES
8 TO TENNIS TOURNAMENT BECAUSE HE IS NOT USED TO THE NEW ONE
9 YET. AND I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY TENNIS COACHES WOULD GO INTO
10 THAT KIND OF DETAIL, INTO A JUNIOR TENNIS PLAYER. MY SON HAS
11 BEEN PLAYING TENNIS FOR EIGHT YEARS. HE'S ONLY 13 NOW. AND
12 I'VE MET A LOT OF TENNIS COACHES. RUSTY, WE DO HAVE A LOT OF
13 RESPECT FOR HIM. AND IN CONTRAST WITH SOMEONE FROM ITENNIS
14 TOLD ME THAT IT'S ALL ABOUT BUSINESS. WE UNDERSTAND IT'S
15 BUSINESS, IT'S BUSINESS. BUT WE WANT BUSINESS TO BE OPERATED
16 WITH SOMEONE HAS THE HEART FOR TENNIS. THAT'S IT.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. RUSSELL MILLER?

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20 **RUSSELL MILLER:** HI, MY NAME IS RUSTY MILLER. I'M THE OWNER OF
21 RUSTY MILLER TENNIS ACADEMY, AND I HAVE BEEN RUNNING ARCADIA
22 PARK TENNIS CENTER SINCE 1986, WHICH IS A LITTLE OVER 26
23 YEARS. I ALSO RAN CERRITOS REGIONAL PARK, LA MIRADA REGIONAL
24 PARK FOR TEN YEARS AND SEVEN YEARS, RESPECTIVELY. I GUESS THE
25 BEST WAY TO SUMMARIZE MY COMPLAINT ABOUT THE PROCESS FOR



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1 EVALUATING THE PROPOSAL WAS HOW THIS WAS SO DIFFERENTLY DONE
2 THAN THE OTHER FIVE TIMES THAT I WAS AWARDED THE CONTRACT AT
3 ARCADIA PARK. FIRST THING IS THAT THE GOODWILL THAT I HAVE
4 CREATED AT ARCADIA PARK FOR THE LAST 26 YEARS WAS NOT
5 EVALUATED OR GIVEN A POINT VALUE AT ALL ACCORDING TO THE
6 EVALUATION COMMITTEE. THE EVALUATORS WERE ALSO NOT IDENTIFIED,
7 WHICH IN THE OTHER FIVE TIMES THAT WE WERE CONDUCTING A CHANCE
8 TO APPLY FOR THE CONTRACT, WE ALWAYS HAD ORAL INTERVIEWS AND
9 IDENTIFIED THE PEOPLE THAT WERE THE PEOPLE THAT WERE GOING TO
10 EVALUATE US AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT AFFECTED MY CHANCE
11 TO RENEW THE CONTRACT. WE HAVE CREATED 500 JUNIOR NATIONALLY-
12 RANKED TENNIS PLAYERS AT ARCADIA IN THE LAST 26 YEARS, OF
13 WHICH 15 INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONS, INCLUDING NUMEROUS
14 TENNIS PROS AND COLLEGIATE PLAYERS. SO I'M ASKING THE
15 SUPERVISORS TO REINVESTIGATE THE PROCESS DONE TO CREATE THIS
16 INJUSTICE TO IDENTIFY WHO THE NEW CONCESSIONAIRE WOULD BE AT
17 ARCADIA PARK. I'D ALSO LIKE TO IDENTIFY THE FACT THAT JUNIOR
18 TENNIS AND SENIOR TENNIS, IF JOHN LETTS IS AWARDED THE
19 CONTRACT, WILL GO AWAY BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT
20 PEOPLE WILL BE PAYING FOR THE COURTS AND BECAUSE OF THE FACT
21 THAT THE JUNIORS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PLAY IN THE AFTERNOON DUE
22 TO POSSIBLE HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS PLAY OR PRIVATE SCHOOLS THAT
23 WILL BE CONDUCTING ALL THE COURTS.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DENNIS KENNEDY?



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2 **DENNIS KENNEDY:** MY NAME IS DENNIS RAYMOND KENNEDY. I'VE BEEN
3 GOING TO THE PARK FOR 30 YEARS PLUS. I USED TO BE A TENNIS
4 PLAYER. I GO THERE EVERY SINGLE DAY. ALL I KNOW IS SOMETHING
5 WENT WRONG WITH THE WAY THE PROCESS WAS HANDLED. I DO NOT KNOW
6 SPECIFICS HOW THAT OCCURRED, BUT IT JUST SEEMS VERY, VERY
7 APPARENT SOMETHING WASN'T FAIR, SOMETHING WAS BIASED,
8 SOMETHING WAS NOT TRANSPARENT. AND IN MY OPINION, THE PROCESS
9 SHOULD BE STARTED COMPLETELY OVER AGAIN. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LAN QUACH? AND BEFORE
12 YOU START, LET ME BRING UP THREE OTHER PEOPLE. THE REST OF YOU
13 COULD VACATE YOUR SEATS. CHRISTOPHER DIAMOND, ANDY CHANG AND
14 ELVIS YU. MS. QUACH?

15

16 **LAN QUACH:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. SINCE I ONLY ACTUALLY NOW
18 HAVE TWO MINUTES, I HAD SUBMITTED AND PREPARED FOR THE BOARD
19 YESTERDAY DOCUMENTATION FOR ITS CONSIDERATION IN OPPOSITION TO
20 THIS AGENDA ITEM. I IMAGINE THE BOARD HAS READ THE OPPOSITION,
21 SO I WILL NOT REHASH ALL THE ARGUMENTS. I AM ACTUALLY
22 SURPRISED THIS MATTER IS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR TODAY
23 BECAUSE ON JANUARY 5, I ACTUALLY WROTE TO THE BOARD FOR
24 ASSISTANCE REGARDING THIS MATTER PROVIDING EXAMPLES OF HOW THE
25 COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAD MISINTERPRETED THE GUIDELINES SO AS TO



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1 MAKE THE PROTEST POLICY ILLUSORY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
2 ACTUALLY WROTE TO ME AND DIRECTED MS. ORDIN, COUNTY COUNSEL TO
3 LOOK INTO MY CONCERNS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO ME, YET I HAVE
4 NEVER RECEIVED A RESPONSE. AND SO THAT'S WHY I'M ACTUALLY
5 SURPRISED THIS IS ON THE AGENDA. SO I WROTE TO ANTONOVICH,
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ASKING WHETHER IT WAS THE DEPARTMENT'S
7 POLICY TO IGNORE INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE SUPERVISOR TO ADDRESS
8 LEGITIMATE CONCERNS AND INSTEAD PLACE THE ITEM FOR
9 RECOMMENDATION FOR VOTING. MY OPPOSITION MAKES CLEAR THAT
10 ITENNIS SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN DECLARED THE WINNING BIDDER GIVEN
11 ITS SIGNIFICANT DEPARTURE FROM THE R.F.P. IN TERMS OF ITS
12 PRICING AND PRO FORMA. THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH ITENNIS IS
13 DIFFERENT FROM THE PROPOSAL IT SUBMITTED, AND THE BOARD CANNOT
14 POSSIBLY SUPPORT AN OUTCOME IN WHICH ANYONE COULD SUBMIT A BID
15 BASED ON ELEMENTS OFFERED THAT ARE NOT ULTIMATELY USED IN THE
16 FINAL PROPOSED AGREEMENT. LAST, I WOULD LIKE TO DISPUTE THE
17 OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT THAT WAS SUBMITTED IN WHICH
18 THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT IT ANTICIPATES A SMALL ANNUAL REVENUE
19 INCREASE TO ITS OPERATING BUDGET FROM MINIMUM MONTHLY RENTAL
20 RECEIPTS. THIS IS NOT CORRECT, BECAUSE MR. MILLER'S PROPOSAL
21 PROPOSED TO GIVE THE COUNTY MORE REVENUE THAN ITENNIS. FOR
22 EXAMPLE, IF YOU LOOK AT THE MINIMUM PERCENTAGES FOR ALL EIGHT
23 CATEGORIES FOR THE FIRST TWO YEARS, MR. MILLER GAVE ABOVE THE
24 MINIMUM, VERSUS ITENNIS ONLY GAVE THE MINIMUM. SO CLEARLY MR.
25 MILLER GAVE MORE MONEY. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CHRISTOPHER DIAMOND?

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4 **CHRISTOPHER DIAMOND:** YES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS
5 CHRISTOPHER DIAMOND. I HAVE BEEN THE HEAD PRO AT RUSTY MILLER
6 TENNIS ACADEMY FOR THE LAST 26 YEARS. I AGREE WITH PEOPLE THAT
7 HAVE SPOKEN PREVIOUSLY, MR. KENNEDY IN PARTICULAR, THAT THERE
8 IS DEFINITELY GOING TO BE A CHANGE. THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG
9 WITH THE PROCESS. I ALSO BELIEVE THAT JUNIOR TENNIS WILL
10 DISAPPEAR FROM ARCADIA PARK AND TOURNAMENTS THAT WE RUN, AND
11 WE RUN VERY, VERY GOOD TOURNAMENTS, LOTS OF KIDS COMING IN. I
12 BELIEVE THE PROCESS SHOULD START OVER. I THINK THERE WAS
13 PROBABLY -- I CAN'T STATE SPECIFICALLY WHAT WAS WRONG. BUT
14 THERE WAS DEFINITELY AN ERROR IN THE PROCESS AND THAT'S ALL I
15 HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANDY CHANG?

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19 **ANDY CHANG:** YES, MY NAME IS ANDY CHANG. I LIVED IN ARCADIA FOR
20 28 YEARS AND I RUN MY BUSINESS IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY FOR 30
21 YEARS. AND I'VE BEEN A VOTER AND SUPPORTER FOR MR. ANTONOVICH
22 FOR THE LAST TWO DECADES. AND I LOVE TO PLAY TENNIS. THAT'S MY
23 ONLY HOBBY. AND I LOVE TO DO CHARITY WORK. IN 2007, I BUILT A
24 NEW TENNIS COURT, FOUR OF THEM, AND DONATED TO THE SCHOOL, THE
25 HIGH SCHOOL OF TEMPLE CITY. IN 2008 WHEN I RECEIVED A REQUEST



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1 FOR PROPOSAL, I WAS THRILLED BECAUSE I HAVE A CHANCE TO
2 OPERATE AND HELP THE PEOPLE IN ARCADIA. AND I STUDY ABOUT
3 THREE, FOUR MONTHS, MY REFERENCES, MY EXPERIENCE AND MY PROOF
4 OF FUNDS. I SENT IT TO THE COUNTY. I WAS THRILLED THAT I GOT
5 NOTICE THAT I WAS THE WINNING BIDDER IN 2008. IN LESS THAN A
6 MONTH, THAT WAS TAKEN AWAY FROM ME. I COULDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY.
7 SO MY LEGAL COUNSEL CALLED THE COUNTY. THE COUNTY SAID BECAUSE
8 SOMEBODY PROTEST WHICH IS THE WINNING BIDDER THIS TIME,
9 PROTESTED IN THE THE CONTRACT OF THE COUNTY HAS SOME DEFECT.
10 SO THEY CANNOT GO THROUGH THIS BIDDING. BUT AT THE SAME TIME,
11 THE COUNTY HAS AWARDED LA MIRADA, CERRITOS AND WHITTIER
12 NARROWS WITH THE SAME FORMAT, SAME REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL THEY
13 ACCEPT IT. AND THE WINNING BIDDER IS OPERATING AT WHITTIER
14 NARROWS. SO THAT WAS IT. BUT IN THE LAST YEAR, THEY CONTINUE
15 FOR NEW BID. I WAS HAPPY AGAIN, I GOT INTO BIDDING AGAIN. WHEN
16 I REGISTERED, I WAS GOING TO THE MEETING, THE COUNTY
17 REPRESENTATIVE MR. JIM NORWOOD SAID THAT NO MEMBERSHIP FEE AND
18 NO COURT RESERVATION FEE CAN GO UP FOR A FEW YEARS. BASED ON
19 THAT STATEMENT, WE CALCULATED A LARGE NUMBER, IT WON'T MAKE
20 ANY SENSE. AND THEN WHAT HAPPENS IS FEW MONTHS LATER, THEY
21 ACCEPT THE WINNING BID, JOHN LETTS. ASKED FOR A MEMBERSHIP
22 FEE. ASKED FOR A COURT FEE. AND ALL THAT. THE NUMBER TOTALLY
23 CHANGED. AND I DID MY NUMBER CALCULATION. I FIND OUT WHAT'S A
24 BIG DIFFERENCE HERE EVEN WITHOUT THE MEMBERS, WE WENT TO
25 PROTEST HEARING. THEY WAIVED THE MEMBERSHIP FEE. BUT THEY



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1 STILL HAVE A COURT FEE OF \$4 FOR THE FIRST YEAR AND INCREASE
2 AFTER THAT. WE ASKED THE COUNTY GIVE US A GUIDELINE. THE
3 COUNTY SAY WE WILL CALL AROUND TO GET THE COMPS FOR YOU. AND
4 THE COMPS AROUND THE AREA ARE ALL OWNED BY ONE GUY. AND THAT'S
5 JOHN LETTS. SO WE CHECK AROUND ARROYO SECO, WE CHECKED
6 WHITTIER NARROWS. WHITTIER NARROWS IS \$10 AN HOUR. ARROYO SECO
7 IS \$20 AN HOUR AND YOU MUST PAY TO PLAY. SO WITH THAT FIGURE,
8 WE PLUGGED IT IN. WE FIGURED OUT \$20, WHICH SOUTH COVINA IS
9 CHARGING, IS COMPARABLE DEMOGRAPHIC WITH ARCADIA. THAT WILL
10 GIVE LIKE SIX YEAR PLUS SIX YEAR CONTRACT OF TOTAL \$7.9
11 MILLION IN REVENUE ON THE RESERVATION ALONE. ORIGINALLY WE
12 CALCULATED IT WAS 1.589 MILLION. THAT'S LIKE \$6.3 MILLION MORE
13 IN REVENUE THE COUNTY WILL GIVE HIM, NOT TO OTHER QUALIFIED
14 BIDDERS.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOU MADE YOUR POINT AND I
17 GAVE YOU SOME EXTRA TIME. BUT THE TIME IS UP. SO LET ME GO TO
18 MR. YU. BEFORE YOU SPEAK, MR. YU, LET ME CALL UP ROBERT
19 O'CONNOR, BRIAN TEACHER AND HECTOR MADRIGAL. MR. YU?

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21 **ELVIS YU:** YES. MY NAME IS ELVIS YU. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT ANDY,
22 BECAUSE I THINK THE WHOLE PROCESS IS MISCONDUCT. THE OPEN BID,
23 IF YOU WANT TO RESTORE, YOU GOT TO GIVE EXPLANATION. AND ALSO
24 THAT ACCORDING TO THE COUNTY WORKERS, IT SAYS IF THE OWNER OF
25 THE PARK IS TRYING TO PROPOSE THE RATE INCREASE AND THE



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1 EMPLOYEE THAT THEY WILL DO THE RESEARCH. BUT ACCORDING TO THE
2 \$20 AN HOUR HERE IN THE SOUTH PASADENA, IS THAT AVERAGE? IS
3 THAT AVERAGE AROUND THIS AREA THE CHARGE? AND THE \$12 IN THE
4 WHITTIER NARROWS, IS THAT AVERAGE? SO IF THEY DO THE RESEARCH,
5 I DON'T THINK THIS PRICE IS GOING TO BE THE AVERAGE, THOUGH.
6 AND I'VE BEEN PLAYING ARCADIA FOR OVER 20 YEARS. AND I THINK
7 THAT RUSTY MILLERS AND THOSE GUYS, THEY GIVE A REALLY FAIR
8 PRICE FOR THE PUBLIC, THE PEOPLE WHO LOVE TO PLAY TENNIS AND
9 THEY HAVE A VERY GOOD CHANCE TO PLAY AND VERY AFFORDABLE PRICE
10 TO PLAY. I THINK THAT SHOULD BE THE PUBLIC COURT FOR THE
11 PUBLIC. IT'S NOT TO BENEFIT INDIVIDUAL BUT WITH THE TAXPAYERS'
12 MONEY. SO THAT'S WHAT I THINK. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ROBERT O'CONNOR.

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16 **ROBERT O'CONNOR:** HI. I'M ONE OF THE MANY RETIRED SENIORS THAT
17 PLAY AT THIS FACILITY. AND WE'RE ALL UNANIMOUSLY AGAINST THIS
18 NEW CONTRACT AND FEEL THAT WE WOULD REALLY URGE IT TO BE
19 RECONSIDERED BECAUSE OF THE RISING COSTS THAT I THINK THAT ARE
20 ASSOCIATED WITH IT. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. O'CONNOR. BRIAN
23 TEACHER?

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1 **BRIAN TEACHER:** YES, HI, GOOD MORNING. I'M A FORMER
2 PROFESSIONAL TENNIS PLAYER HAVING WON THE AUSTRALIAN OPEN IN
3 1981. MY HIGHEST SINGLES RANKING WAS 7 IN THE WORLD AND 5 IN
4 DOUBLES. THE LAST 25 YEARS I'VE COACHED PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS
5 AND HELPED DEVELOP JUNIOR PLAYERS AS WELL AS TEACHING AN
6 OCCASIONAL BEGINNER FROM TIME TO TIME. I'M ALSO, IT'S
7 INTERESTING TO NOTE, I WAS A PRODUCT OF COMMUNITY TENNIS
8 HAVING GROWN UP IN SAN DIEGO AND PLAYED EVERY DAY OF MY YOUTH
9 AT MORELY FIELD TENNIS PARK, THAT'S WHERE I LEARNED THE GAME.
10 I MOVED ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO FROM THE WEST SIDE TO PASADENA,
11 AND I WAS DRIVING DOWN TO PLAY SOME GOLF AT THE PUBLIC
12 FACILITY IN ARROYO SECO AND IN HAPPENSTANCE, TO MY SURPRISE I
13 BUMPED INTO SOME TENNIS COURTS ON THE WAY DOWN, AND I SAID
14 WHAT ARE THESE COURTS? I WENT INSIDE. AND THAT'S WHERE I MET
15 JOHN LETTS, AND FOUND OUT THAT THIS WAS A PUBLIC TENNIS
16 FACILITY. AND THE MORE TIME I SPENT AT THAT FACILITY JUST
17 VIEWING WHAT WAS GOING ON, THE MORE I WAS IMPRESSED WITH HIS
18 PROGRAMMING, HIS JUNIOR PROGRAMMING, HIS BEGINNING
19 PROGRAMMING. AND I SAW A REAL SENSE OF COMMUNITY THERE.
20 EVERYBODY SEEMED TO GET ALONG WELL. IT SEEMED LIKE IT WAS ONE
21 BIG HAPPY FAMILY. HE HAD SOCIAL EVENTS, TOURNAMENTS. I WAS SO
22 IMPRESSED WITH WHAT I SAW THAT WE STARTED TALKING ABOUT HOW
23 COULD WE HELP KIDS FURTHER ADVANCE THEIR TENNIS? WE STARTED
24 DEVELOPING A JUNIOR PROGRAM. WE'VE BECOME PARTNERS AND STARTED
25 A NONPROFIT CALLED LETTS TEACH, WHICH IS TO HELP DISADVANTAGED



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1 YOUTH WITH TENNIS. AND SO I'VE SEEN HIS STAFF. THEY'RE ALL
2 EXTREMELY CORDIAL, EXTREMELY PROFESSIONAL. ALL HIS TEACHING
3 PROFESSIONALS ARE VERY GOOD. AND I COULDN'T RECOMMEND A BETTER
4 PERSON TO RUN THE FACILITY AT ARCADIA THAN JOHN LETTS AND
5 ITENNIS. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WHO DID YOU BEAT IN
8 1981 IN AUSTRALIA? BRIAN? WHO DID YOU BEAT IN 1981?

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10 **BRIAN TEACHER:** ANOTHER AUSTRALIAN KIM WARRICK.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S GOOD TO HAVE YOU HERE.
13 [APPLAUSE.] BEFORE I CALL MR. MADRIGAL, LET ME CALL JOHN
14 MCKENZIE AND JOHN LETTS. MR. MADRIGAL.

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16 **HECTOR MADRIGAL:** THANKS. GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE
17 SUPERVISORS. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT. AND MY
18 CONCERNS RELATE TO THE PROCEDURAL ASPECTS OF THE R.F.P. ABOUT
19 A YEAR AGO, I WROTE A LETTER TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH JUST
20 ASKING GENERAL QUESTIONS. AND I WAS GIVEN ANSWERS BY COUNTY
21 STAFF THAT I NEEDED TO REST ASSURED THAT ALL OF THE I'S WOULD
22 BE DOTTED AND T'S WOULD BE CROSSED AND THEY WOULD USE A VERY
23 METICULOUS PROCESS TO SELECT THE BEST OPERATOR. SUBSEQUENTLY I
24 ATTENDED A MEETING AT THE ARCADIA PARK IN THE BEGINNING OF
25 JANUARY, AND I ASKED TWO QUESTIONS. ONE WAS: DID THE COMMITTEE



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1 THAT REVIEWED THIS R.F.P. INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE SUBJECT MATTER
2 EXPERT THAT HAD SIGNIFICANT KNOWLEDGE IN TENNIS, SUCH AS BRIAN
3 TEACHER THAT JUST SPOKE, THAT WOULD EVALUATE THE PROPOSERS AND
4 THAT HAD ADMINISTERED A TENNIS ACADEMY OR A TENNIS PROGRAM
5 SUCH AS THE ARCADIA TENNIS PARK. I FELT THAT THAT WOULD BE
6 IMPORTANT IN MAKING REASONABLE EVALUATIONS. AND MY SECOND
7 QUESTION WAS: IS THE COUNTY GOING TO PREPARE AN IMPACT
8 STATEMENT FOR THE SUPERVISORS? BECAUSE IT WAS APPARENT THAT
9 ALMOST EVERYBODY AT THAT MEETING, ABOUT 70 PEOPLE, WERE
10 EXTREMELY UPSET ABOUT THE PROCESS USED IN THIS R.F.P. I
11 RECEIVED A RESPONSE THAT COMPLETELY SIDESTEPED MY QUESTIONS.
12 SO I SUBMITTED A SECOND LETTER TO MR. ANTONOVICH. AND I STILL
13 HAVE NOT RECEIVED A RESPONSE. AGAIN, MY QUESTIONS ARE
14 BASICALLY RELATED TO THE PROCEDURAL ASPECTS OF THIS R.F.P.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. MCKENZIE?

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18 **JOHN MCKENZIE:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE. I'VE
19 BEEN LISTENING TO THESE PROCEEDINGS. THIS IS VERY NEW TO ME.
20 THIS ISN'T SOMETHING I WOULD TYPICALLY DO TO TAKE TIME TO COME
21 TO A PUBLIC HEARING. AND I DEFINITELY, AS LISTENING TO A FEW
22 OF THE OTHER PROPOSALS, I SORT OF UNDERSTAND THE IDEA THAT
23 THERE'S A VERY LIMITED AMOUNT THAT CAN BE REALLY RESOLVED AT A
24 MEETING LIKE THIS. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE COULD DEBATE WHO SHOULD
25 GET THIS CONTRACT. THAT'S A LEGITIMATE DEBATE. I THINK WHAT



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1 MR. TEACHER JUST SAID, SOME OF THAT'S NOT TRUE. ALL YOU HAVE
2 TO DO IS LOOK AT THE U.S.T.A. WEBSITE AND YOU WOULD SEE THAT
3 THE NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS, JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS, THAT RUSTY
4 MILLER PUTS FORTH IS SUBSTANTIALLY MORE THAN ITENNIS DOES WITH
5 ALL OF THEIR MULTIPLE VENUES THAT THEY HAVE. RUSTY MILLER HAS
6 TWO VENUES AND PUTS OUT TWO OR THREE TIMES AS MANY
7 TOURNAMENTS. SO I THINK THAT THE POINT OF THIS HEARING, I
8 WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO -- THAT WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO BE HASHED OUT.
9 WHAT I TAKE AWAY FROM THIS WHOLE PROCESS IS A FEELING OF BEING
10 VIOLATED. THIS WAS A PROGRAM THAT'S BEEN UP AND RUNNING.
11 THERE'S A PROPOSAL, LIKE THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER, MR. MADRIGAL,
12 WHEN I HEARD THAT RUSTY LOST THE CONTRACT, I MADE INQUIRIES. I
13 CALLED. I RECEIVED COMMENTS LIKE "WELL, YOUR CHILD CAN JUST
14 TAKE LESSONS FROM THE NEW GUY, CAN'T HE?" AND JUST COMPLETE
15 INEPTITUDE, COMPLETE DISREGARD FOR WHAT IS A COMMUNITY
16 PROGRAM. I FEEL THIS IS A COMMUNITY PROGRAM. AND I FEEL, TO
17 SOME DEGREE, I SHOULD HAVE BEEN CONSULTED. THIS PROPOSAL WAS
18 VERY MUCH BEHIND THE SCENES. WE CAN'T GET INFORMATION ON IT.
19 AND I THINK THAT THE ONLY FAIR THING TO DO WOULD BE TO OPEN UP
20 THE PROCESS AND HAVE SOME CLARITY, SOME VISIBILITY ON WHAT
21 THESE PEOPLE ARE LOOKING AT. I FEEL VERY BAD ABOUT THIS
22 PROCESS. IT DOES NOT SEEM FAIR. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. LETTS?

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1 **JOHN LETTS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE THE CHANCE TO
2 ADDRESS THE BOARD. AND I'M JOHN LETTS, I'M THE OWNER AND
3 OPERATOR OF ITENNIS. AND MY BUSINESS IS WE RUN A BUNCH OF
4 DIFFERENT MUNICIPAL TENNIS CONCESSIONS WITH THE CITY OF
5 PASADENA, SOUTH PASADENA, CITY OF RIVERSIDE. WE ALSO HAVE A
6 CONTRACT CURRENTLY WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WITH
7 WHITTIER NARROWS TENNIS CENTER. AND I JUST LOVE PLAYING
8 TENNIS. I PLAYED AS A KID, I PLAYED IN COLLEGE, I PLAYED ON
9 TOUR TOUR. AND PRACTICED LAW FOR A FEW YEARS, BUT I WENT BACK
10 INTO TENNIS BECAUSE I WANTED TO SHARE MY LOVE OF THE GAME WITH
11 PEOPLE, ALL SORTS OF PEOPLE, WHETHER THEY'RE BEGINNERS,
12 ADULTS, HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS, COMPETITIVE JUNIOR PLAYERS.
13 BASICALLY MY MISSION IS TO PROMOTE THE GAME OF TENNIS, WHICH
14 IS A LIFETIME SPORT, IT'S A FAMILY SPORT. AND THAT'S WHAT I'VE
15 TRIED TO DO IS TO CREATE VERY HAPPY TENNIS COMMUNITIES AND
16 FAMILIES. AND I'VE DONE VERY WELL AT WHITTIER NARROWS. FOR
17 L.A. COUNTY, WE'VE INCREASED THE REVENUES AT THAT COUNTY PARK.
18 I UNDERSTAND THAT THE PREVIOUS CONCESSIONAIRE AT ARCADIA HAS
19 BEEN THERE A VERY LONG TIME, DEVELOPED A LOT OF GREAT
20 RELATIONSHIPS AND DEVELOPED A LOT OF GREAT TENNIS PLAYERS.
21 IT'S A SERVICE INDUSTRY, ANY TIME YOU'RE SOMEWHERE FOR 20-PLUS
22 YEARS, OF COURSE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A NUMBER OF VERY
23 POSITIVE AND GOOD RELATIONSHIPS. BUT WE'RE IN A BUSINESS. WE
24 RESPONDED TO THE R.F.P., WHICH WAS OPENED TO INCENT ALL TENNIS
25 OPERATORS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE RESPONDED. WE INITIALLY



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1 RESPONDED TO AN R.F.P. IN 2008. THAT WAS FOUR YEARS AGO. ONE
2 OF THE SPEAKERS SAID THAT BECAUSE I PROTESTED THE RESULT OF A
3 PREVIOUS R.F.P. THAT WAS THROWN OUT. THAT WAS NOT CORRECT. I
4 NEVER PROTESTED THE RESULT OF ANY OTHER R.F.P. I PROPOSED, WE
5 WERE THE WINNING BIDDER. AND IT'S GONE ON FOR OVER A YEAR. WE
6 LOOK FORWARD TO MOVING FORWARD AND SERVING THE COUNTY OF LOS
7 ANGELES. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. ANTONOVICH? IS THE
10 DEPARTMENT HERE? RUSS GUINEY, PARKS AND RECREATION?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHILE RUSS IS COMING UP, MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME
13 ASK COUNTY COUNSEL. THERE IS AN ALLEGATION THAT THE ATTORNEY
14 FOR ONE OF THOSE APPEALING HAD NO CONTACT WITH COUNTY COUNSEL
15 RELATIVE TO A REPLY BACK IN CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE COUNTY
16 COUNSEL'S OFFICE. CAN YOU UPDATE US TO WHAT ACTUALLY ARE THE
17 FACTS ON THAT?

18

19 **JOHN KRATTLI, COUNSEL:** I'LL BE GLAD TO. WE RECEIVED
20 CORRESPONDENCE FROM MRS. QUACH IN JANUARY. WE RESPONDED TO
21 THAT CORRESPONDENCE. AND AS RECENTLY AS THE LAST FEW DAYS, WE
22 SPOKE WITH HER ON THE TELEPHONE. SO WE HAVE HAD COMMUNICATIONS
23 WITH HER.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND MR. GUINEY, ONE OF THE APPLICANTS
2 INDICATED THAT THE PROCEDURE USED, THERE WAS SOME TYPE OF LACK
3 OF PROCEDURES BEING USED IN THIS R.F.P.? COULD YOU ANSWER
4 THAT?

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6 **RUSS GUINEY:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, RUSS GUINEY, DIRECTOR
7 OF PARKS AND RECREATION, I HAVE WITH ME KANDY HAYS, OUR CHIEF
8 OF OUR CONTRACTS UNIT. AND IN THIS CASE, THE DEPARTMENT
9 FOLLOWED ALL THE ESTABLISHED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THIS
10 BOARD AND THE GUIDELINES OF THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
11 THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SOLICITATION PROCESS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD YOU EXPLAIN WHY AN R.F.P. TO SOLICIT A
14 NEW CONCESSIONAIRE WAS OFFERED OR PROVIDED OR OFFERED TO THE
15 COMMUNITY FOR THIS ARCADIA SITE?

16

17 **RUSS GUINEY:** I'M SORRY, WHY WE DID WHAT?

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DID WE DO AN R.F.P.? WHY DID WE SOLICIT
20 ONE FOR ARCADIA TENNIS CENTER?

21

22 **RUSS GUINEY:** OH, OKAY. THE PRESENT CONTRACT HAD EXPIRED AND
23 THE DEPARTMENT WAS FOLLOWING THE BOARD'S POLICY TO CONDUCT A
24 COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH AN
25 OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THOSE WERE THE ESTABLISHED POLICIES AND
3 PROCEDURES AS USED BY THE COUNTY IN CONDUCTING AN R.F.P.?

4

5 **RUSS GUINEY:** YES, THAT IS CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT RESOURCES -- LET'S SAY WHAT RECOURSE DO
8 THE BIDDERS HAVE IF THEY'RE NOT SATISFIED WITH THAT R.F.P.
9 PROCESS? WHAT DO THEY DO? DO THEY COME TO THE DEPARTMENT? IS
10 THERE A PUBLIC MEETING OR WHAT?

11

12 **RUSS GUINEY:** YES. IF THE BIDDER IS NOT SATISFIED WITH THE
13 OUTCOME, THEY'RE ABLE TO REQUEST A PROPOSED CONTRACTOR
14 SELECTION REVIEW, WHICH IS CONDUCTED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT.
15 AND THEN IF THE PROPOSER IS STILL NOT SATISFIED WITH THAT
16 OUTCOME, THEY MAY REQUEST A COUNTY REVIEW PANEL, WHICH IS
17 CONVENED BY THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. AND THIS PANEL
18 IS COMPLETELY INDEPENDENT OF THE DEPARTMENT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WAS SUCH A PANEL REQUESTED?

21

22 **RUSS GUINEY:** YES.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT WAS THE RESULTS OF THAT?

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1 **RUSS GUINEY:** WELL, THE COUNTY REVIEW PANEL MEETING WAS HELD ON
2 NOVEMBER 30 AND MR. MILLER WAS REPRESENTED THERE BY COUNSEL.
3 THE COUNTY REVIEW PANEL THOROUGHLY REVIEWED BOTH MR. MILLER'S
4 ASSERTIONS AND THE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSES TO THOSE ASSERTIONS.
5 THE PANEL'S DECISION WAS THAT MR. MILLER'S ASSERTIONS WERE
6 WITHOUT MERIT AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD INDEED FOLLOWED THE
7 BOARD'S POLICY.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHO COMPRISE THAT REVIEW PANEL?

10

11 **RUSS GUINEY:** THE REVIEW PANEL IS CONDUCTED BY THE INTERNAL
12 SERVICES DEPARTMENT. MEMBERS OF THAT PANEL COME FROM OUTSIDE
13 THE DEPARTMENT FROM OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THEY AWARE THAT TENNIS -- DO THEY HAVE A
16 KNOWLEDGE OF TENNIS?

17

18 **RUSS GUINEY:** I DON'T KNOW THE COMPOSITION OF THAT REVIEW
19 PANEL, BUT THEY HAVE A THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF THE COUNTY'S
20 POLICIES ON CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICALLY THIS TYPE OF CONTRACT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOUR DEPARTMENT HAD A COMMUNITY MEETING
23 REGARDING THE CONTRACT BEFORE THE RESERVATION FEES AND OTHER
24 ASPECTS OF THE CONTRACT HAD BEEN NEGOTIATED. AND I HAVE BEEN
25 INFORMED BY SOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT THEY HAD LEFT THE



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1 MEETING WITHOUT ANSWERS TO THEIR QUESTIONS. SO THE QUESTION
2 IS: WHY DID THE MEETING TAKE PLACE BEFORE THE NEGOTIATIONS HAD
3 BEEN FINALIZED? AND WHAT WAS THE FOLLOW UP WITH THE PUBLIC
4 THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT HAD DONE AFTER THAT MEETING?

5

6 **RUSS GUINEY:** THE COMMUNITY MEETING THAT YOU REFERENCED WAS
7 HELD ON JANUARY 12 BY THE DEPARTMENT. AND THIS WAS HELD DUE TO
8 A NUMBER OF INACCURATE STATEMENTS THAT WERE BEING CIRCULATED
9 REGARDING AN INCREASED RESERVATION FEE AND THE FACILITY
10 BECOMING A PAY-TO-PLAY OR MEMBERS-ONLY FACILITY. IT WAS FELT
11 THAT A COMMUNITY MEETING WOULD HELP TO CLARIFY THESE
12 INACCURATE STATEMENTS. WE INFORMED THE COMMUNITY THAT WE WOULD
13 RETURN TO THEM WITH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM THE MEETING AS
14 WELL AS ANY OTHER INFORMATION THEY WERE REQUESTING ONCE THE
15 FINAL CONTRACT WAS NEGOTIATED. ADDITIONALLY, WHEN THE BOARD
16 LETTER AND FINALIZED AGREEMENT WERE POSTED TO THE BOARD'S
17 CORRESPONDENCE WEBSITE, AN EMAIL WAS SENT TO THE COMMUNITY
18 MEMBERS FURTHER ADDRESSING SOME OF THE POINTS OF CONCERN AS
19 WELL AS PROVIDING A LINK TO THE ACTUAL CONTRACT ONLINE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DOES THE NEW CONCESSION AGREEMENT MAKE THE
22 ARCADIA TENNIS CENTER A PAY-TO-PLAY?

23

24 **RUSS GUINEY:** NO, IT DOES NOT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OR A PRIVATE MEMBERSHIP?

2

3 **RUSS GUINEY:** NO, IT DOES NOT.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW DID THESE ALLEGATIONS ARISE WHERE THERE
6 WAS GOING TO BE A PUBLIC MEMBERSHIP OR BE CHARGED UP TO \$20
7 FOR COURT FEES?

8

9 **RUSS GUINEY:** I AM NOT SURE ABOUT HOW ALL OF THESE ALLEGATIONS
10 AROSE, BUT THEY ARE NOT TRUE. AND OUR STAFF EXPLAINED THAT
11 THEY WEREN'T TRUE WHEN THOSE ISSUES CAME UP.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** SOUNDS LIKE FRISBEES AND FOOTBALLS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE RESERVATION FEES WILL NOT BE RAISED?

16

17 **RUSS GUINEY:** THE RESERVATION FEES THAT ARE IN PLACE RIGHT NOW
18 WERE ESTABLISHED IN 1996 AND THEY'RE GOING TO REMAIN THE SAME
19 FOR AT LEAST THE FIRST YEAR OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACT IF
20 ADOPTED.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** UNDER THE NEW CONTRACT, WHAT IS THE PROCESS
23 FOR INCREASING RESERVATION FEES?

24



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1 **RUSS GUINEY:** WELL, ANY CHANGE TO THE RESERVATION RATES
2 REQUIRES PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE DIRECTOR, MYSELF. THE
3 CURRENT FEES ARE \$3 PER HOUR FOR THE OFF PEAK HOURS, \$4 PER
4 HOUR FOR PEAK HOURS. AS I MENTIONED, THOSE WERE ESTABLISHED IN
5 1996 AND HAVE REMAINED UNCHANGED SINCE. IF A FEE INCREASE IS
6 REQUESTED, MY STAFF WOULD CONDUCT A SURVEY OF THE SURROUNDING
7 PUBLIC TENNIS COURTS. AND THIS COULD BE A RADIUS OF AT LEAST
8 25 MILES OR MORE AND COMPARE THE REQUESTED FEE TO THE CURRENT
9 GOING RATES. THE OTHER EQUALLY IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION WOULD
10 BE TO ENSURING THAT THE FEES REMAIN AFFORDABLE SO TO PROMOTE
11 THE DEPARTMENT'S MISSION OF PROVIDING THE PUBLIC WITH
12 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE
13 REVENUE GENERATED BY THIS AGREEMENT IS APPROXIMATELY \$16,000.
14 THAT REFLECTS ONLY ABOUT 4/100 OF 1 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL
15 ANNUAL REVENUE COLLECTED BY THIS DEPARTMENT. SO IT'S REALLY
16 VERY SMALL AMOUNT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DOES THE DEPARTMENT HAVE ANY EXPERIENCE WITH
19 ITENNIS?

20

21 **RUSS GUINEY:** YES, WE HAVE. ITENNIS HAS MANAGED A SUCCESSFUL
22 TENNIS CONCESSION FOR THE DEPARTMENT AT WHITTIER NARROWS SINCE
23 2009. WHILE THE WHITTIER TENNIS CONTRACT IS DIFFERENT FROM THE
24 PROPOSED ARCADIA TENNIS CENTER, ITENNIS HAS MANAGED THE
25 WHITTIER CONCESSION VERY WELL AND THEY ARE CURRENTLY IN



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1 COMPLIANCE WITH THAT CONTRACT. THE DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED A
2 NUMBER OF POSITIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE
3 WHITTIER NARROWS FACILITY, AND WE'RE CONFIDENT THAT THE
4 RECOMMENDATION OF ITENNIS FOR THE OPERATION OF ARCADIA TENNIS
5 CENTER WILL ALSO BE A SUCCESSFUL OPERATION.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ONE QUESTION HAD BEEN RAISED BY ONE
8 OF THE SPEAKERS ABOUT AFTERNOON AVAILABILITY FOR THE PUBLIC
9 VERSUS HAVING RESERVATIONS BY OTHER SCHOOLS OR WHATEVER FOR
10 THE USE OF THOSE COURTS DURING THE AFTERNOON?

11

12 **RUSS GUINEY:** THERE ARE ALWAYS TWO COURTS THAT ARE AVAILABLE
13 THAT ARE NOT ON THE RESERVATION SYSTEM AND PEOPLE CAN USE
14 THOSE ON AN AS-COME BASIS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE YOUTH WILL HAVE ACCESS?

17

18 **RUSS GUINEY:** CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** REGARDLESS OF OTHER USE OF THE OTHER COURTS.

21

22 **RUSS GUINEY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BY A SCHOOL OR SCHOOLS. AND WHEN WOULD THIS
25 CONTRACT BECOME EFFECTIVE?



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2 **RUSS GUINEY:** IF APPROVED BY YOUR BOARD TODAY, THIS CONTRACT
3 WOULD BECOME EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2012.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE LENGTH OF THIS CONTRACT?

6

7 **RUSS GUINEY:** SIX YEARS.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO AT THE FIFTH YEAR PERIOD, THEN YOU WOULD
10 DO A NEW R.F.P.?

11

12 **RUSS GUINEY:** THIS CONTRACT HAS A PROVISION FOR RENEWAL FOR AN
13 ADDITIONAL SIX YEARS IF THE CONTRACTOR'S IN COMPLIANCE AND
14 SATISFYING THE COUNTY REQUIREMENTS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS THE PREVIOUS CONTRACTOR'S CONTRACT HAD.

17

18 **RUSS GUINEY:** CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY. IS
23 THERE A MOTION? MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY KNABE.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. OKAY. I HAVE ONE MORE
25 ADJOURNMENT THAT JUST CAME IN AND THEN I'LL TURN IT OVER TO



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1 THE REST OF YOU. I WANT TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MAURICE
2 HILLIARD, PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC CHAPLAIN AND PROGRAM
3 DIRECTOR AT THE BOONE CENTER FOR FAMILY WHO JUST PASSED AWAY
4 UNEXPECTEDLY AFTER COLLAPSING WHILE WALKING ON MALIBU BEACH.
5 HILLIARD GREW UP IN LOS ANGELES AND EARNED A BACHELOR'S AT THE
6 UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE AND MASTER'S OF DIVINITY IN APOLOGETICS
7 AT BIOLA UNIVERSITY. PRIOR TO ASSUMING HIS POSITION AS BOONE
8 CENTER PROGRAM DIRECTOR, HE SPENT SIX YEARS AS AN ASSISTANT
9 BASKETBALL COACH AT PEPPERDINE. HE IS SURVIVED BY FAMILY
10 MEMBERS AND THE COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS AND STUDENTS IN HIS
11 PEPPERDINE FAMILY. I KNOW WHAT A GREAT LOSS THIS IS TO THE
12 PEPPERDINE FAMILY. DON, DO YOU WANT TO JOIN ME? ALL MEMBERS.
13 MR. KNABE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST OF ALL, THAT I'D
16 LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND, MR. BOB VERDERBER.
17 BOB WAS A FORMER CERRITOS COLLEGE TRUSTEE WHO PASSED AWAY
18 RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 82. HE SERVED AS A BOARD MEMBER FOR
19 CERRITOS FROM 1993 TO 2005. HE ALSO TAUGHT IN THE DOWNEY
20 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE WAS ALSO AT FIVE LOCAL COMMUNITY
21 COLLEGES. HE WAS VERY, VERY ACTIVE IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY WHERE
22 HE RESIDED. HE WILL BE MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALSO WE
23 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RUTH LYNCH WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY, THE
24 MOTHER OF PAT DANNECKER, A GOOD DEAR FRIEND. SHE PASSED AWAY
25 AT THE AGE OF 90. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN. ALSO



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1 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MYRTLE FRANZ WHO PASSED AWAY AT
2 THE AGE OF 96. THE YOUNGEST OF FIVE CHILDREN. IN 1920 SHE AND
3 HER FAMILY MOVED TO THE CITY OF ARTESIA BY CAR. SHE FARMED THE
4 ARTESIA-CERRITOS AREA FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. SHE WAS VERY
5 ACTIVE IN THE ARTESIA-CERRITOS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND
6 LOVINGLY TENDED THEIR GARDEN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. SHE LEAVES
7 BEHIND HER GRANDCHILDREN, DIANA, ROBERT, MIKE, KELLY AND
8 BILLY; HER ADOPTED SON, LALO; AND MANY GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND
9 GREAT, GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
10 EARL BACON, A RESIDENT OF CERRITOS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
11 FEBRUARY 24. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 59 YEARS, ELLIE;
12 SON, ROGER; AND DAUGHTER, LINDA; GRANDCHILDREN, JESSE, COREY,
13 MICAH, SHANNON, CHRISTOPHER AND GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER,
14 ELIZABETH. BOB WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
15 MEMORY OF GERTRUDE COLLINS, MOTHER OF GOOD FRIEND JULIE
16 MCNULTY BLACK, A LONGTIME BOARD MEMBER AT MUSICAL THEATER WEST
17 WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 92. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
18 HER DAUGHTER, JUDY; THREE GRANDDAUGHTERS AND FIVE GREAT
19 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DONALD GERARD
20 LEVESQUE, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE PROUDLY SERVED AS A
21 BOSUN'S MATE DURING HIS 20-YEAR NAVAL CAREER, HAD MANY DUTY
22 STATIONS, HIS MOST MEMORABLE BEING THE U.S.S. TELFAIR, FOR
23 WHICH HE LATER SERVED ON THE REUNION COMMITTEE HELPING TO DO
24 REUNIONS. HE WAS A TRUE RED, WHITE AND BLUE AMERICAN, PROUDLY
25 FLEW THE U.S. FLAG EVERY DAY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 62



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1 YEARS PATRICIA; HIS SISTER, JACKIE; AND MANY NIECES AND
2 NEPHEWS AND SEVERAL GREAT NIECES AND NEPHEWS. THOSE ARE MY
3 ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIR.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOJOE CHU
9 ZEE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 9. SHE WAS THE WIFE OF FORMER
10 MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER PAUL ZEE OF SOUTH PASADENA. SHE IS
11 SURVIVED BY PAUL AND HER CHILDREN, JEAN AND TAPPAN. KYLE
12 BROOKS, 19 YEARS OF AGE. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF THE 2010 QUARTZ
13 HILL HIGH SCHOOL IN ANTELOPE VALLEY. BILLY ROY BOLANDER. HE
14 WAS AN EDUCATOR, TEACHER, DEACON AT MIRA LOMA SOUTHERN BAPTIST
15 CHURCH FOR OVER 40 YEARS. AND KEN BEUTLER. HE SERVED IN THE
16 UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, GRADUATED ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY
17 FROM RETIRED ENGINEER FROM J.P.L. AND ACTIVE IN HIS CHURCH IN
18 LA VERNE. JACINTO ARCE, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75, LONGTIME
19 RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SERVED 30 YEARS IN THE UNITED
20 STATES AIR FORCE. CHARLES ALBERT KEZMAN OF MONTEREY PARK,
21 SERVED AS THE ELECTRICAL TECHNICIAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES
22 DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER. DEBORAH INGHAM, GRADUATE OF
23 COVINA HIGH AND FOR 31 YEARS A NURSE AT THE INTER-COMMUNITY
24 CENTER HOSPITAL IN COVINA. MODESSIE "DEE" HART, RESIDENT IN
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY, SHE WAS THE FOUNDER OF HART PRINTERS BACK IN



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1 1960 WITH HER LATE HUSBAND JACK. MARIE EVELYN GARRISON OF
2 PALMDALE, SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. ROBERT SHERMAN,
3 THE GREAT ARTIST IN WRITING AND PLAYING MUSIC, HE AND HIS
4 BROTHER, RICHARD, WON THE ACADEMY AWARDS FOR BEST SONG AND
5 BEST SCORE FOR "MARY POPPINS," AND THEY CONTRIBUTED TO "THE
6 PARENT TRAP," "JUNGLE BOOK" AND "BED KNOBS AND BROOM STICKS,"
7 AMONG OTHER GREAT DISNEY FILMS, WINNING 7 ACADEMY AWARD
8 NOMINATIONS AND WINNING THREE GRAMMIES. AND RICHARD PACHAL,
9 LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFF RETIRED. HARRY FORBES, PASSED AWAY
10 AT THE AGE OF 88, RETIRED DEPUTY SHERIFF. AND RICHARD ANTRAM,
11 PASSED AWAY, HE WAS A RETIRED LIEUTENANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES
12 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS I WANT
13 TO ASK BECAUSE THIS INFORMATION CAME IN JUST YESTERDAY OR
14 ACTUALLY I RECEIVED IT THIS MORNING. AND I WANT TO ASK AGAIN
15 COUNTY COUNSEL THESE QUESTIONS, AS WELL, BECAUSE IT DEALS WITH
16 A MEETING THAT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY IS
17 GOING TO BE HAVING THIS WEEK. AND IT'S INTERESTING. LET ME GET
18 SOME OF THESE QUESTIONS HERE. ONE, THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT A
19 TRANSFER OF PROPERTY. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT ALLOWING FOR
20 GOLDEN HANDSHAKES FOR EMPLOYEES. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT
21 EXTENDING NEW CONTRACTS AND EXTENDING EXISTING CONTRACTS. AND
22 THE QUESTION IS: HOW ARE THEY ABLE TO DO THAT WHEN THE
23 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DOWNSIZING AND NOT
24 TAKING ANY NEW ACTIONS?

25



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1 **JOHN KRATTLI:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, AS YOU KNOW, REDEVELOPMENT
2 AGENCIES WERE DISSOLVED EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1. SO I'M NOT SURE
3 HOW THAT ACTION COULD BE TAKEN. IT'S SOMETHING WE COULD
4 CERTAINLY LOOK INTO AND REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 6 ON THEIR AGENDA PROVIDES RENEWS
7 GRANTS, CONTRACTS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES, SECURES -- ANOTHER
8 ITEM 5, SECURES TWO ADDITIONAL YEARS OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS
9 FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES. ITEM 8 EXTENDS AND MODIFIES GRANT
10 AGREEMENTS. ITEM 9 APPROVES ON-SITE PLANS. ITEMS 3 AND 7
11 DISCUSS THE TRANSFER OF MILLIONS IN GRANT FUNDING TO DIFFERENT
12 DEPARTMENTS. SO, THIS, AGAIN, IS NOT WINDING DOWN BUT AN
13 AGENCY THAT'S CONDUCTING BUSINESS AS USUAL. AND DOES THE
14 STATE, HOW DO THEY HANDLE THIS? DO THEY LOOK THE OTHER WAY?
15 DOES THE DEPARTMENT FINANCE AUDITORS? ARE THEY ABLE TO PREVENT
16 THESE ACTIONS FROM TAKING PLACE? DO THEY REPORT TO THE TAXING
17 AGENCIES LIKE THE COUNTIES OR SCHOOLS RELATIVE TO THESE
18 ACTIONS? SO IF YOU COULD ANSWER SOME OF THOSE QUESTIONS AND
19 MAKE A REPORT TO US. THIS TAKES PLACE ON WEDNESDAY OR
20 THURSDAY. MAYBE WE COULD DISCUSS SOME OF THIS IN EXECUTIVE
21 SESSION?

22

23 **JOHN KRATTLI:** I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE THAT WE REVIEW
24 THE MATTER AND REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD. CERTAINLY WE CAN --
25 STAFF CAN ATTEND THE MEETING AND THEN REPORT BACK.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS DO YOU HAVE ANY
5 ADJOURNING MOTIONS? ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M
6 GOING TO CALL FOUR PEOPLE UP. IRENE PANG. MICHAEL CRAWFORD,
7 VANESSA DUNN, AND ERIC PREVEN. MISS PANG, GO AHEAD.

8

9 **IRENE PANG:** I BELIEVE THAT MY FAMILY AND MY BROTHER'S SCHOOL
10 IS WORKING HARD AND THEY WILL DO WELL JOB. ALSO I BELIEVE THAT
11 THEIR UNDERSTANDING THE PRINCIPLE AND POLICIES OF THE U.S.
12 NATION ALSO IS MOST NATION'S CONCERN. THERE IS BETTER TO
13 PROTECT OLD STYLE AND SOCIETY THE DEVELOPMENT. ALSO I BELIEVE
14 THAT ANY ILLEGAL ADD TO ANYONE'S PROPERTY THAT AGAINST THE LAW
15 AND AGAINST THE HUMAN RIGHTS. SAY AGAIN. I BELIEVE THAT
16 PASADENA IS A PART OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THEIR PROGRAM
17 HELD IN UNION STATION IS SUPPORT BY GOVERNMENT. THE PERSONS
18 LIKE ME GO THERE FOR THE -- TREATMENT FOR -- THERE IS ALSO
19 SAME THE MONEY FOR THEIR HEALTH EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNMENT.
20 UNION STATION DOESN'T PROVIDE THE PARKING MY CAR ONLY PARK IN
21 THE PUBLIC STREET. ON THE SAME STREET THERE ARE CARS PARKED
22 FOR A WHOLE DAY. AND THEY ARE NOT WAITING, HOW THE TREATMENT
23 IS MORE THAN TWO HOURS. I REMEMBER THE HOSPITAL CHARGED 8,000
24 FOR THE TREATMENT ON THIS EMPTY SEAT IN THE PAST. IN THE
25 PRESENT TIME, ARE USING THE OLD WAY HOT WATER AND CHEMICAL AND



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1 TWO INJECTIONS TO STOP THE SEED DEVELOPMENT. I NEED THE CAR
2 PARKING DURING THE WAITING AND THE TREATMENT. I WORKED SO HARD
3 FOR THE PUBLIC AND THE NATION WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE THE
4 PUBLIC STREET SAME AS THE OTHER CARS. OTHERWISE TOMORROW IS
5 PARKING DAY FOR ONE TICKET AND NEXT IS THE -- THE PAYMENT IS
6 FOR 17.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP, MISS PANG. THANK
9 YOU. MR. CRAWFORD? IS MR. CRAWFORD HERE? MISS DUNN YOU'RE UP.

10

11 **VANESSA DUNN:** HI, MY NAME IS VANESSA DUNN. AND I'M HERE ON
12 BEHALF OF MY FAMILY. AND I'M ASKING FOR JUSTICE TODAY FOR THE
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I PURCHASED MY HOME BACK IN JULY OF
14 2011. I'VE LIVED THERE AS A TENANT FOR 14 YEARS. THE HOUSE
15 WENT INTO FORECLOSURE AND WE LIVED THERE. WE DIDN'T WANT TO
16 UPROOT SO WE DECIDED TO GO IN FOR PURCHASE. SO WHEN WE
17 PURCHASED THE HOME, IT WENT THROUGH ALL OF ITS TITLING AND
18 WENT THROUGH EVERYTHING. AND WHEN THEY FOUND THAT THE HOME IS
19 A DUPLEX. NOW REGIONAL PLANNING HAS BEEN IN THIS PROCESS
20 BECAUSE THERE WAS A TENANT THAT LIVED BACK THERE AT THE TIME
21 THAT STARTED CALLING BECAUSE SHE WAS UPSET THAT WE PURCHASED
22 THE HOME. SO THEY STARTED CALLING BUILDING AND SAFETY,
23 REGIONAL AND THAT'S HOW REGIONAL GOT INVOLVED. THEY'RE SAYING
24 THAT MY BATHROOM AND KITCHEN NEEDS TO BE PULLED OUT. IT IS A
25 LEGAL STRUCTURE AND I DO HAVE PERMITS AND I DO HAVE -- IT IS



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1 LISTED WITH THE COUNTY AS A DUPLEX. THE LAND USE HAS DUPLEX.
2 YOU CAN'T FIND NOTHING OUT THERE THAT SAYS NOTHING BUT DUPLEX.
3 SO IF THAT'S THE CASE, I'VE OVERPAID FOR A HOME THAT I
4 PURCHASED AS A DUPLEX. AND NOW THEY'RE MAKING ME PULL IT OUT
5 WITH MY HARD EARNED SWEAT MONEY THAT I PURCHASED A HOME AS A
6 DUPLEX. I HAVE EVERYTHING HERE FROM ASSESSMENT. I'M PAYING
7 TAXES. IT HAS ITS OWN LIGHT, GAS AND WATER. IT HAS ITS OWN
8 ADDRESS. IT HAS EVERYTHING SEPARATED. I'M PAYING AGAIN
9 MORTGAGE INSURANCE. I'M PAYING EVERYTHING THE WAY I AM
10 SUPPOSED TO AS A CITIZEN IN MY COMMUNITY. AND NOW THEY'RE
11 MAKING ME PULL OUT MY BATHROOM AND KITCHEN. I DON'T HAVE A
12 TENANT THERE. MY DAUGHTER LIVES THERE. SHE'S A COLLEGE
13 STUDENT. AND THAT'S WHERE SHE STAYS. SO I --

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHERE IS THIS PROPERTY?

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17 **VANESSA DUNN:** THIS IS IN THE WILLOWBROOK AREA, AN
18 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF L.A. COUNTY.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNINCORPORATED?

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22 **VANESSA DUNN:** YES.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL
25 ADDRESS.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HAS SOMEONE FROM STAFF HAVE SPOKEN WITH
3 YOU THIS MORNING, MA'AM?

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5 **VANESSA DUNN:** I JUST SPOKE WITH, I'M SORRY, I DON'T REMEMBER
6 HIS NAME.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FROM WHAT DEPARTMENT?

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10 **VANESSA DUNN:** REGIONAL, I GUESS.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** REGIONAL PLANNING HAS SPOKE WITH YOU.

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14 **VANESSA DUNN:** JUST PULLED ME ASIDE JUST A SECOND AGO.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO THEY WILL FOLLOW-UP WITH YOU
17 ACCORDINGLY.

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19 **VANESSA DUNN:** HOPEFULLY.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEP, THEY WILL.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU, MISS DUNN. I
24 THINK THEY'RE ON TOP OF IT. THANKS FOR BRINGING IT TO OUR



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1 ATTENTION. BEFORE YOU START MR. PREVEN, LET ME CALL ON ARNOLD
2 SACHS AND BOBBY COOPER. GO AHEAD, MR. PREVEN.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, IT IS ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
5 DISTRICT 3. TODAY WE HEARD ON ITEMS 26 AND 27 KIND OF A
6 SIMILAR STORY WITH SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT DETAILS ABOUT R.F.P.S
7 GONE TERRIBLY WRONG, WHICH IS NOT ATYPICAL IN THIS BUSINESS.
8 YOU GUYS HAVE A LOT OF STUFF ON YOUR PLATE. YOU HAVE TO MAKE
9 THESE DECISIONS OFF OF CAREFUL DATA. NOW THE PROBLEM IS THAT
10 THE PANEL REVIEW SYSTEM CURRENTLY SET UP HERE AT L.A. COUNTY,
11 AS MR. FUJIOKA WILL CHUCKLE ALONG WITH, IS NOT ESPECIALLY
12 FRIENDLY TO THOSE WHO ARE QUESTIONING THE COUNTY'S JUDGMENT.
13 AND WE'VE SEEN THAT IN A NUMBER OF CASES. I'M NOT SURE IF
14 THERE IS ANY INTEREST IN CHANGING THAT. I KNOW THAT THE
15 STRATEGY PLAN, WHICH IS ABOUT ENRICHING LIVES IN GENERAL,
16 SEEMS TO BE IN NEED OF A LITTLE REPAIR REGARDING THIS SELF-
17 REVIEW ISSUE. I KNOW MR. KNABE IS LAUGHING, TOO. SELF-REVIEW,
18 WE DON'T THINK IT'S THAT GREAT. WE THINK THAT SELF-REVIEW IS
19 KIND OF ANOTHER WAY TO GET THE AGENDA PUSHED THROUGH. SO YOU
20 KNOW, I DON'T KNOW, IN THE CASE OF YOU, SIR, I KNOW TODAY YOU
21 TOOK SOME HEAT AND THAT WAS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR ANYBODY TO BE
22 DISCUSSING YOUR FAMILY, CERTAINLY. BUT IT'S ONLY BECAUSE ONE
23 OF THE FAMILY MEMBERS IS A LOBBYIST FOR THIS GROUP THAT THAT'S
24 WHY THAT COMES UP. IT'S NOT OF COURSE PERSONAL. AND EVERYBODY
25 KNOWS MATT TO BE A PROFESSIONAL. HE KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING. AND



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1 WE ACCEPT THAT. BUT WHAT THE PROBLEM IS THAT DOWN HERE AT THE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WE DON'T FULLY PAY ATTENTION OURSELVES,
3 SO WE RELY ON STAFF. NOW THE STAFF THIS, THEY GET IN LINE,
4 UNFORTUNATELY. AND THEN WE'VE SEEN A LITTLE BIT OF THAT IN ALL
5 THE DEPARTMENTS. FORTUNATELY MR. BROOKNER FROM REGIONAL
6 PLANNING WILL HELPING THIS ONE, WILL FOLLOW UP ON THAT I'M
7 SURE. HE'S VERY HELPFUL OR CAN BE. ITEM 36 IS THE LAST ONE AND
8 MAYBE MR. FUJIOKA CAN HELP ON THIS. THIS IS A GROUP THAT DOES
9 SOME ENGINEERING, AND IT'S MAINLY CURBS AND IRRIGATION. AND
10 THEY HAVE BID 29 PERCENT LESS THAN WHAT WE ESTIMATED THE COST
11 TO BE FOR A PROJECT, SUPPOSED TO BE A MILLION, THEY CAME IN AT
12 750. AND YET THE OVERALL COST, THE TOTAL PROJECT COST IS 1.4
13 MILLION. WELL HOW MUCH MONEY IS GOING BACK INTO THE COUNTY ON
14 THAT? HOW CAN THEY GET AWAY WITH 29 PERCENT OFF THE ESTIMATE,
15 SIR?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, TIME'S UP. THANK YOU. ARNOLD
18 SACHS?

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20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS.
21 AGAIN, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR HIS GRAVE
22 CONCERNS REGARDING ACTIONS GOING TO BE TAKEN BY THE
23 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND EXTENDING SOME PROCESSES AND GOLDEN
24 PARACHUTES AND THE ILK LIKE THAT. AFTER THE FACT AND HOW CAN
25 THEY DO THAT? SO HERE'S MY ADVICE TO YOU, MR. COUNTY COUNSEL.



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1 GO METRO. BECAUSE THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY TOOK
2 CARE OF ITEMS BEFORE THE FACT. THEY WOULD JUST AUTHORIZE BY
3 THE STATE LEGISLATURE IN 2010 TO COME INTO EXISTENCE. BUT IN
4 2007, THEY WERE A RECIPIENT OF PROPERTY. IN 2008, THEY WERE
5 DOING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTS AND STUDIES FOR THE
6 FOOTHILL EXTENSION. HOW COULD THAT BE? BEFORE THE FACT. THIS
7 IS AFTER THE FACT. THE CONCERNS AFTER THE FACT I'M CONCERNED
8 AFTER THE FACT. I'M CONCERNED BEFORE THE FACT. DON'T GET ANY
9 ANSWERS ABOUT THAT. I'M ALSO CONCERNED, YOU MAY HAVE READ THIS
10 STORY, THE COURTS MUST CUT ANOTHER 300 JOBS. WE HAVE EXCESS
11 FUNDS AVAILABLE THE FIRST AND FIFTH DISTRICTS. WE HAVE THE
12 COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS. WE HAVE COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS. WE HAVE
13 CITY EXCESS FUNDS. AND WE HAVE \$20 MILLION GOING TO THE JUDGES
14 STILL. THAT'S FROM 2008, YOU MIGHT REMEMBER THAT EDITORIAL.
15 BUT THEY'RE CUTTING FUNDS BECAUSE THERE'S A \$72 MILLION
16 DEFICIT IN THE BUDGET. WHY DON'T YOU LOOK AT THAT \$20 MILLION,
17 YOU'RE SO CONCERNED ABOUT \$10 MILLION FOR THE BIKE LANES? AND,
18 FINALLY, HAVING THE ROSE PARADE, THE CHINATOWN ROSE PARADE
19 WOMEN HERE MADE ME THINK ABOUT CROWNS FOR THE SUPERVISORS.
20 ONLY PROBLEM: THERE'S NOT ENOUGH METAL IN AMERICA FOR YOUR FAT
21 HEADS.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. TIME'S UP. BOBBY
24 COOPER?

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1 **BOBBY COOPER:** YES. I KNOW I GOT TWO MINUTES, SO I PROBABLY
2 WON'T BE ABLE TO GET THROUGH IT. LISTEN, FIRST OF ALL, I LOVE
3 THIS COUNTRY, YOU KNOW, BUT WHEN YOU COME DOWN HERE AND YOU
4 AIN'T GOT NO AFRICAN-AMERICAN, YOU DON'T SEE ANY AFRICAN-
5 AMERICAN GIRL SCOUTS, IT'S A SHAME. BUT THAT'S YOUR AGENDA. I
6 HAVE HAD FIVE ATTEMPTS ON MY LIFE MADE, ONE JUST ON THE NINTH
7 AGAIN, TRIED TO POISON ME IN GLORIA MOLINA'S DISTRICT. I'M
8 DOWN HERE TO MAKE MY ALLEGATIONS OF CORRUPTION AND
9 GANGSTERISM, RACKETEERING. THIS IS SONYA DIAZ. THIS IS ONE OF
10 YOUR, SONYA DIAZ, ONE OF YOUR EMPLOYEES AND A NUMBER OF OTHER
11 PEOPLE. NOW, I'M GOING TO READ THESE NAMES OFF TO YOU SO
12 YOU'LL KNOW WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON AND YOU WON'T OBSCURE
13 THEM LIKE YOU DID THE LAST TIME I SPOKE. ONE IS NAMED STEPHAN
14 HUANG. HUANG? YES, OKAY. SANG S. WONG. AND THIS ONE IS SUNI
15 MAWANEY? THE OTHER ONE IS WELL, YEAH, SANG S. WON, WON. AND
16 SANG HAWK WONG. THESE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE TAKING OVER MY
17 BUSINESS RACKETEERING. THIS GOES INTERNATIONAL FRAUD. SO I'M
18 PRETTY SURE THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS WELL AWARE OF
19 THIS. BUT I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I FILED A NEW CLAIM ON
20 THIS AND I CAN INSTANTIATE TO THE FULL EXTENT MY ALLEGATIONS
21 ALLEGED HERE TO THE DATE. I WANT YOU TO LOOK AT THIS. I
22 STARTED INVESTIGATING THIS MATTER IN 1999. THANK YOU VERY
23 MUCH.
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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. COOPER. CLOSED
2 SESSION?

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
5 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
6 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CS-2 AND
7 CS-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
8 LITIGATION, ITEM NO. CS-4, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF
9 CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL. AND ITEM NO.
10 CS-5, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
11 LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL
12 AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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15 **[CLOSED SESSION]**

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THE BOARD IS BACK IN
19 SESSION. JOHN, DO WE HAVE ANY REPORTABLE ITEMS COMING OUT OF
20 CLOSED SESSION?

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22 **JOHN KRATTLI, COUNSEL:** NO REPORTABLE ACTIONS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAVE ONE ITEM THAT WAS
2 LEFT ON THE AGENDA, ITEM 44, THAT WE NEED TO ACT ON. IS THERE
3 A MOTION TO APPROVE IT? RIDLEY-THOMAS MOVES, KNABE...

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN...

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, OKAY GO AHEAD.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** [INAUDIBLE] DECISION IN THIS LOW AMOUNT TO
10 GIVE TO THIS VICTIM, A TWELVE YEAR OLD, FOR WHAT SHE HAS GONE
11 THROUGH FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. SHE WAS ABUSED BY AN
12 INDIVIDUAL THAT THE DEPARTMENT OUGHT TO HAVE KNOWN HAD BEEN
13 ABUSED, SEXUALLY ABUSED, BY HIS FATHER AND BROTHER PRIOR TO
14 HIS BEING PLACEMENT IN THAT HOME. THE DEPARTMENT FAILED AND IF
15 WE WOULD APPROVE THIS TYPE OF A LOW SETTLEMENT FOR AN
16 INDIVIDUAL THAT WOULD REQUIRE PSYCHIATRIC AND PSYCHOLOGICAL
17 CARE. THIS LOW AMOUNT WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE ATTORNEY FEES THAT
18 WILL BE RECEIVED FROM THIS VICTIM'S SETTLEMENT, IS TOO LOW FOR
19 WHAT THIS TRAUMATIZED INDIVIDUAL HAS HAD TO EXPERIENCE AND
20 WILL EXPERIENCE IN LATER LIFE. AND AGAIN, FOR A TWELVE YEAR
21 OLD, AT THIS TIME, WE ARE, I WOULD SAY, RESPONSIBLE FOR HER
22 FUTURE. AND GOING ALONG WITH THIS SETTLEMENT IS TOO LOW OF A
23 PRICE TO PAY FOR A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN TRAUMATIZED FOR LIFE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEEDLESS TO SAY THAT'S ONE
2 PERSON'S OPINION. THE MOTION IS BY RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY
3 KNABE, CALL THE ROLL. THIS IS TO SETTLE THE CASE IN ACCORDANCE
4 WITH THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THE OTHER SIDE [INAUDIBLE] BY COUNTY
9 COUNSEL.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE. IT IS APPROVED 3 TO 1. THANK YOU. WE
2 ARE ADJOURNED.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION MARCH 13, 2012**

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5 No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-2, CS-3 or
6 CS-4.

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8 Item CS-5 was referred to Open Session as it relates to item
9 44 on today s agenda.

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